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WEEKS DAYS.

	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Kowloon ...Dep.	6.40	8.05	9.10	10.00	12.00	1.15	2.15	4.35	7.15
Yuenai ...Dep.	6.45	8.10	9.15	10.05	12.05	1.20	2.20	4.40	7.20
Shatin ...Dep.	7.01	8.26	9.31	10.21	12.21	1.26	2.26	4.56	7.36
Taipei ...Dep.	7.15	8.40	9.45	10.35	12.35	1.40	2.40	5.10	7.50
Taipei Market ...Dep.	7.30	8.55	10.00	10.50	12.50	1.55	2.55	5.25	8.05
Fanning ...Dep.	7.45	9.10	10.15	11.05	1.10	2.10	3.10	5.40	8.20
Shenzhen ...Dep.	7.55	9.20	10.25	11.15	1.20	2.20	3.20	5.50	8.30
Shenzhen ...Arr.	7.41	9.06	10.11	11.01	1.06	2.06	3.06	5.36	8.16
Canton ...Arr.	11.50	5.38							

	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Canton ...Dep.	7.18	8.05	9.10	11.05	11.37	2.58	4.41	5.49	6.24
Shenzhen ...Dep.	7.25	8.12	9.17	11.12	11.44	3.08	4.48	5.56	
Shenzhen ...Arr.	7.30	8.17	9.22	11.17	11.49	3.10	4.50	6.00	
Fanning ...Dep.	7.40	8.27	9.32	11.27	12.00	3.21	5.02	6.10	
Taipei Market ...Dep.	7.55	8.42	9.47	11.42	12.05	3.26	5.07	6.15	
Taipei ...Dep.	8.10	8.57	10.02	11.57	12.20	3.37	5.18	6.25	
Shatin ...Dep.	8.26	9.13	10.18	12.13	12.36	3.48	5.29	6.37	
Yuenai ...Dep.	8.41	9.28	10.33	12.28	12.51	3.59	5.40	6.47	
Kowloon ...Arr.	8.17	9.04	10.09	11.49	12.37	3.57	5.38	6.46	7.04

SUNDAYS AND PUBLIC HOLIDAYS.

	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Kowloon ...Dep.	6.40	8.05	9.10	10.00	12.00	1.15	2.15	4.35	7.15
Yuenai ...Dep.	6.45	8.10	9.15	10.05	12.05	1.20	2.20	4.40	7.20
Shatin ...Dep.	7.01	8.26	9.31	10.21	12.21	1.26	2.26	4.56	7.36
Taipei ...Dep.	7.15	8.40	9.45	10.35	12.35	1.40	2.40	5.10	7.50
Taipei Market ...Dep.	7.30	8.55	10.00	10.50	12.50	1.55	2.55	5.25	8.05
Fanning ...Dep.	7.45	9.10	10.15	11.05	1.10	2.10	3.10	5.40	8.20
Shenzhen ...Dep.	7.55	9.20	10.25	11.15	1.20	2.20	3.20	5.50	8.30
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CHANG TSUNG CHANG'S
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LADY QUARTERMASTER AND
HER CO-WIVES.

TSINGTAI, December 8th.
Frequently in November, the city of Hsuehchowfu was reported to have been taken, both by Feng Yu Hsiang and the Nanking forces. Neither report is correct. There has been very little doing on the southern front and the attack and resistance both are very tame and listless.

The big news has been from the west of Hsuehchowfu, where Chang Tsung Chang and Feng Yu Hsiang have been chasing each other up and down the Lung-hai Railway.

Large numbers of soldiers were withdrawn into Hsuehchowfu, but equally large numbers could be seen going westward. There was evidence of a withdrawal, but no sign of real defeat or rout. The only thing of much significance was the retirement to the north by special train of several of the favourite wives of the Northern commanders. This was taken to mean that things were looking bad for these generals.

Little Real Fighting.

The general belief is that there is no real fighting at all. Chang Tsung Chang's men as usual are unpaid, and they show little zeal for battle. They are undisciplined, headless, and wander around in small groups as they pretty well please. There are three distinct armies all mixed up in Hsuehchowfu—Sun's, Chu Yu Po's and Chang's. As usual, Sun's men are the best equipped, and under the best discipline. Chang's are at the other end and Chu's are betwixt and between.

Were it not for the frequent loss of life in useless counters of no significance, this war situation would arouse the loudest shrieks of derision from the spectators. The warlords issue strict orders and they filter down step by step losing strength at every change of hand, until, when received at their final destination, they are pasted on the walls as a kind of happy home motto, to which no one pays any serious attention.

Useless Orders.

For example, strict orders were issued prohibiting soldiers from living in the Mission School. When a company started to enter, they were politely informed that the chief of staff had issued the proclamation at the front door, at which they were asked to look. They good-naturedly replied: "We will be glad to look at it if you say so but the good chief has provided no other place for us." So in they would go.

All this happened right under the noses of the mightiest men in the Northern armies. The presence of the warlords had at least one good influence, for they were able to prevent actual violence to foreigners, but it was a very different tale further out in the country, where one of our men went to a distant station.

Woman Rules and is Ruled.

One of the big chiefs of the north, it is stated, can neither read nor write, yet he has achieved a place perhaps third in importance among a hundred million human beings. His fourth wife, formerly a pupil in a mission school (and a very ordinary one she was) is his private secretary and the real chief of his supply system. She goes north by special train to Tientsin and buys supplies for the army, running into lakhs. She has some six or seven "co-wives," if the term may be allowed, and the family is kept in a state of happy expectancy all the time, as their lord and master has a primitive but highly effective way of enforcing his will. He simply shoots the wife who does not suit him!

MINERS' MARCH ON LONDON.

MR. A. J. COOK'S NEW
FIASCO.

DISOWNED BY T.U.C.

Newspaper, Nov. 10th.

Headed by Mr. Wal Hamington, the national organizer of the Unemployed Movement, who is also a member of the Central Committee of the Communist Party, 280 unemployed miners from the Rhondda Valley began a march to London this morning.

They are undertaking the march on the suggestion of Mr. A. J. Cook, secretary of the Miners' Federation and an honorary member of the Moscow Soviet, who stated yesterday that he hoped to join the marchers in time to accompany them through Swindon and Reading. Of the other organizers of the march, Mr. T. Thomas is closely associated with the Minority Movement, and Mr. D. L. Davies and Mr. Charles Jones are extreme Socialists. The ostensible purpose of the march is to bring to the notice of the Government the destitution of miners, employed and unemployed; the persistent closing of mines; the provision of work by the State for unemployed miners; adequate poor relief; and the need for a pension fund for miners over 60. But some of the official Labour bodies will have anything to do with the march.

Disowned by Federation.

The General Council of the T.U.C. forwarded to the Miners' Federation information regarding the association of the march with the Communist Party, and the Minority Movement, and as a result the Miners' Federation disowned the whole affair, while trades councils on the march proposed to be followed by the march and its organizers the cold shoulder.

Indeed, two scouts who were sent out a few days ago have returned with the news that they expect the parade will meet with a chilly reception en route to London. This information has not, however, been communicated to the marchers, but what could not be hidden from them is the fact that the London Trades Council, which originally agreed to render all possible assistance to the men while they were in London, have withdrawn their support.

The marchers were none to enthusiastic when they set out this morning, but they tried to make a brave show with red banners.

The organizers state that arrangements have been made for lorries laden with food to meet the marchers at certain points.

"Where does the money come from to pay for all this?" the men are asking, and some of them are awakening to the conviction that perhaps after all they are being used by an organization which has plenty of money to spend for its own ends.

BIG BRAINS AND GENIUS.

NOT NECESSARILY AN
INDICATION.

Scientists and brain specialists are very much interested in the news, that the brain of Anatole France, the great French writer who died in 1924, weighed only 36 ounces—12 ounces less than the average adult brain.

Dr. E. H. Russell, the brain specialist, told a Daily Mail reporter that as a rule geniuses are found to have abnormally large brains. Some famous men have had brains almost twice the normal weight. A few instances are:

Ivan Turgeneff, the 19th century Russian novelist, 70oz.
Immanuel Kant, the German philosopher, 66oz.

Bismarck, the German statesman, 63oz.
Sir Ralph Abercromby, a British general, 63oz.

Georges Cuvier, the famous French anatomist, 64oz.

Yet often remarkably powerful minds have been encased in very small heads. Shelley, Descartes, and Schumann all had very small heads.

"A large brain, however," said Dr. Russell, "does not necessarily imply a large intelligence, for some diseases will cause the brain to become abnormally large or small, so that its size after death is no indication of what its size was during the man's life. It is unusual to find a genius with a small brain."

DIARY OF EVENTS.

To-day.

Settlement Day, H.K. Stock Exchange.
Kowloon Junior School Prize Distribution by Mrs. Cook at the School, Gym Club Hall, Kowloon, 10.30 a.m.

Cricket: Dr. R. A. Ponsoby Fane's XI. v. Mr. B. P. Ng's XI, University ground, 2 p.m.

Garrison Football League: R.A.O.C. v. 20th H. Bty. R.A.; B. Coy. K.O.S.B. v. D. Coy. K.O.S.B., Sookunpoo, 4.15 p.m.

Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel and Hotel Savoy, 4.30 p.m.; Lane, Crawford's Restaurant, 4.30-6.30 p.m.; Cafe Regent, 4.30-6.30 p.m.

Hockey: Club XI. v. H.K.S.H.A., Marina Ground, 5 p.m.

Peak School prize giving, by Lady Clementi, Peak Club, 5.15 p.m.

Cinema Entertainment, Club Lusitano, 5.30 p.m.

After dinner dance at Lee Gardens.

Cafe Regent dinner dance, 8 p.m.

Dockyard Rec. Club dance, Seamen's Institute, 8.30 p.m.

Queen's Theatre: "Rocking Moon."

World Theatre: "The Last Days of Pompeii."

Star Theatre: "Honesty the best Policy," and "The White Outlaw."

Principal Mails: Inward: Europe via Siberia (Paul Lecat), Outward: Europe via Marseilles, etc. (Paul Lecat), 2.30 p.m.; America, Canada, etc., Europe via San Francisco and via Siberia (President Jackson), 5 p.m.

Wednesday.

11th Ordinary General Meeting of Industrial and Commercial Bank, Ltd., York Building, 2 p.m.

Fanning Hunt: Meet at Hunters Arms, 2.45 p.m.

Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel and Hotel Savoy, 4.30 p.m.; King Edward Hotel, 5 p.m.; Lane, Crawford's Restaurant, 4.30-6.30 p.m.; Cafe Regent, 4.30-6.30 p.m.

Hockey: Club XI. v. Wanderers, U.S.R.C., 4.45 p.m.

Royal Hong Kong Golf Club annual general meeting, Old Chamber of Commerce Room, City Hall, 5.30 p.m.

Cafe Regent dinner dance, 8 p.m.

Queen's Theatre: "Rocking Moon."

World Theatre: "The Last Days of Pompeii."

Star Theatre: "Honesty the best Policy," and "The White Outlaw."

Principal Mails: Outward: Australia, New Zealand, etc. (Tang's Mail), 8.30 a.m.; Europe via Siberia (Chenonceaux), 12.30 p.m.

Thursday.

Cricket: Oxford v. Cambridge, H.K.C.C. ground.

9th Ordinary yearly meeting of the China Light and Power Co. (1915), Ltd., St. George's Building, noon.

Legislative Council Meeting, 2.30 p.m.

Garrison Football League: 20th H. Bty. R.A. v. R.A.M.C.; H.Q. 1 K.O.S.B. v. R.E. and R. Sigs, Sookunpoo, 4.15 p.m.

Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel and Hotel Savoy, 4.30 p.m.; Lane, Crawford's Restaurant, 4.30-6.30 p.m.; Cafe Regent, 4.30-6.30 p.m.

After dinner dance at Lee Gardens.

Cafe Regent dinner dance, 8 p.m.

Queen's Theatre: "The Chinese Parrot."

World Theatre: "The Last Days of Pompeii."

Star Theatre: "Wandering Husbands."

Principal Mails: Outward: Europe via Siberia (Soochow), 5 p.m.

Saturday.

Christmas Eve.
Golf: Christmas Meeting, Fanning.

Steeplechase Meeting, Kwant.

Cricket League: Division I. C.S.C. v. University. Division II. v. University 2nd XI. v. H.K. Electric Co.; Navy v. K.C.C. 2nd XI.

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U.S. COMMERCIAL
ATTACHE'S VIEW.

MORE EXPORTS THE NEED.

Peking, Dec. 2nd.

The key to a prosperous and growing commerce between the United States and China is an increase in Chinese exports, says Julian Arnold, the American Commercial Attache in China and the man chiefly responsible for the maintenance of stable trade relations through years of civil war.

This statement was made in the course of an interview on trade and prospects, with the North China Star of Tientsin. He said that China, being an important producer of raw materials and aided by low labour costs, should be one of the principal exporting nations of the world. He called attention to figures showing a gradual increase in exports during the last ten years but these had never surpassed imports.

"Until they do," he said, "China's trade cannot go ahead."

China's Best Customer.

"It may seem strange, for one whose primary function is that of encouraging the sales of American goods in China, to interest himself in the development of China's exports, especially so when it is considered that Americans already buy fifty per cent. more from China than they sell to this country. It is true the United States is China's best customer. And for that reason America may claim a greater right to a larger sale of its products in China than it would seem should be the case with those countries whose balance of trade with China is already in their favour and against China. During the past fifty years of China's foreign trade, there has been no time when its exports exceeded its imports. Thus China has been in the unfortunate position of being a greater buyer of foreign products than a seller of its own commodities.

"However, had the situation been the reverse, China would today be a greater potential purchaser of the wares of other countries than it is in reality. America as well as the other trading nations of the world has everything to gain and but little to lose by substantial increases in China's export trade. In a word, the more China sells abroad the greater will be China's purchasing power in foreign markets. Thus America, though already China's best customer, looks with favour upon anything which will help to make China a greater exporter.

Foreign Supervision Of China's Products.

"From the inception of China's foreign trade, it has been the foreigner rather than the Chinese who has been responsible for the development of the sales of China's goods among foreign peoples. Had it not been for the foreigner who came to China to get wares of the Chinese people, China would have made but little progress in its export trade. Even to-day, without the foreign concerns in China it is not conceivable that China's products would have much of a place in the markets of the outside world. The time will come when Chinese people will probably be in a position to have the facilities for handling of their own foreign trade. That day does not seem to be near, for it presupposes some very marked changes in the internal trading conditions in this country.

"In its larger aspects, a successful foreign trade presupposes a healthy situation in the internal trade of a country. Those same principles which make for a successful domestic trade are important contributing factors to a successful foreign trade. It is because to foreign trader in China applies, so far as conditions will permit him to do so, the principles which have made his own country a success in a trading sense, that China's export trade has progressed, in spite of the unfavourable domestic conditions which characterize its internal trade conditions.

EXCHANGE RATES.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

Rugby, Dec. 18th.

Paris	124
Brussels	34.89
Amsterdam	12.07
Berlin	20.43
Copenhagen	18.19
Vienna	34.59
Helsingfors	183.90
Lisbon	2.7/16
Bucharest	790
Buenos Aires	47
New York	4.88
Geneva	25.23
Milan	25.05
Stockholm	18.06
Oslo	18.23
Prague	164
Madrid	29.23
Athens	288
Rio	5.59/64
Bombay	1/8.7/64
Shanghai	2/7
Yokohama	1/108
Hong Kong	2/0.3/8
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Canton Insurance	2320 buy.
Union Insurance	2393 buy.
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China Underwriters	21.40 nom.
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Hong Kong Fire Ins.	255 buy.
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Do.	(new) Tls. 5 1/2 buy.
H.K. & S. Hotels	27.05 buy, 7 1/2 sel.
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Do.	(new) 27 sel.
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Do.	(old) 22.55 buy.
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China Buses	Tls. 61 nom.
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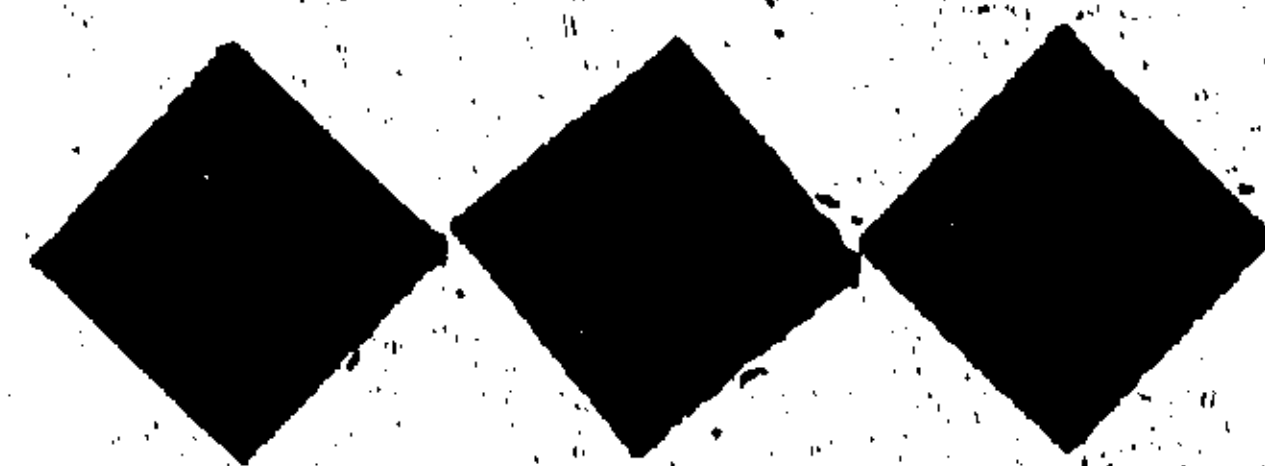
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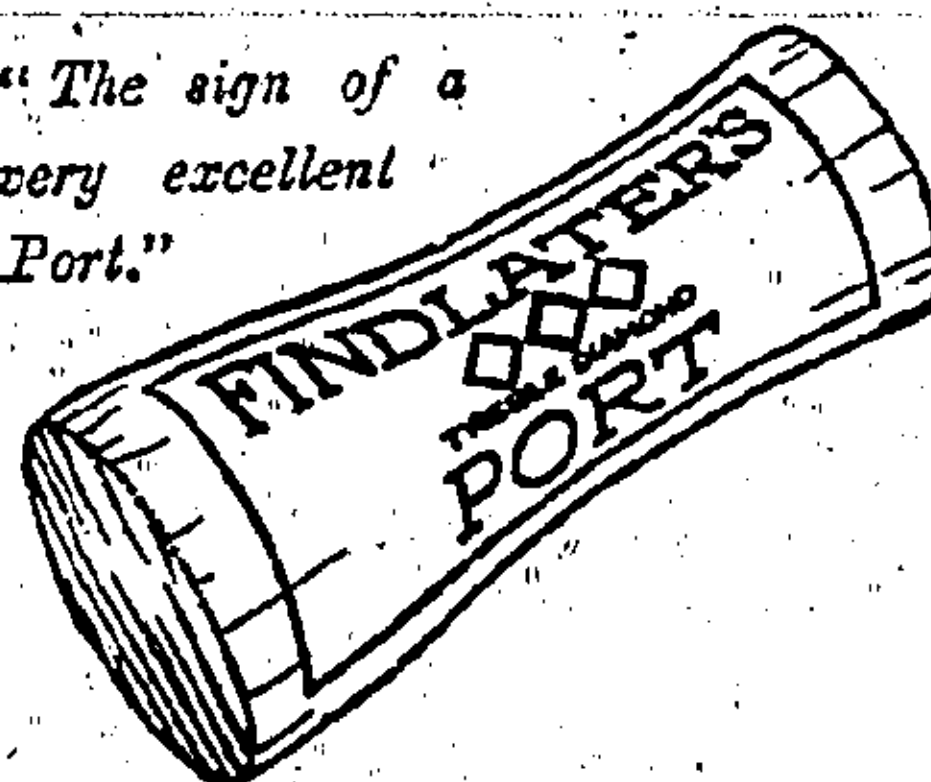
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OUR LITTLE WEAKNESSES ANALYSED.

THE HERD AND SEX INSTINCTS.

THE FLAPPER'S FASHIONS AND "GOOD FORM" AT THE CLUB.

THE TRUE NATURE OF DREAMS.

A layman can generally find a good deal of interest in a medical publication. Much is unintelligible; he feels as if he were surreptitiously peeping into one of Dr. Faust's black magic books, and he extracts a good deal that he likes to know. The November number of *The Caduceus* the publication of the Hong Kong University Medical Society for example contains a most interesting article on the interpretation of dreams by Dr. Alexander Canon.

The whole subject of dreams and their significance has attained its proper importance in medical science largely through the daring speculations of Freud—at the mention of whose name certain old fashioned gentlemen go purple in the face, just as their grandfathers did when Darwin's name was spoken. Dr. Canon accepts Freud, with modifications, and defines a dream as "A symbolic picture of the realization of an unconscious wish."

Freud in his great work on Dreams and their interpretation relates an amusing story of a lawyer who took an exposition of the theory that a dream is essentially a wish almost as a personal insult.

He came next day and said: "I dreamed last night that I had lost every case I am engaged on. So there's an end to your precious theory."

"Your wish," said Freud, "was to prove me wrong."

However to return to Dr. Canon, who says: Dreams are as important to the mental specialist, as are physical signs and symptoms to the physician; the former reveals the state of the mind; the latter the state of the body. But dreams are often more important than physical signs and symptoms, because the mind governs the body—this is a fact which no one can deny.

How We Hoax Ourselves.

The workings of the minds of frail humanity, and the little deceptions which dreams reveal to the psychologist are dealt with at length. Among them are Dissociation and Rationalisation. A very common form of dissociation consists in the splitting of the mind into different compartments. The glaring inconsistencies of conduct which abound in the lives of most of us are examples of this tendency. The dishonest financier may be a model of propriety in his domestic life, and the fraudulent merchant may devote much of his ill-gotten gains to charitable and religious purposes. These persons are quite unaware of the inconsistency of their acts because of the dissociation which has impaired the homogeneity of their mind. There are limits to this process, in a mentally healthy man, and even the most inconsistent of mortals must occasionally be faced with the contradiction between his religious exercises on a Sunday and his dishonest activities on the following day. Rationalisations are reasons given by an individual for his conduct which are in reality not reasons at all, but excuses or justifications which are frequently thought of after the event.

One For The Lawyers.

Some lawyers are noted for this practice: with them of course, it is a practiced art. The dishonest merchant refers to what explain that "business is one thing and family life another; that when he considers the unscrupulous methods practiced against him, he is really astonished at his own moderation; that all is fair in love and war, etc. These statements which mean little or nothing, suffice to persuade him that his conduct is devoid of inconsistency.

"I Thanked Him For The Information."

They are well seen also in many nervous and mental cases—as in the delusions of the melancholic patient. A patient announced himself to be Napoleon, and when it was pointed out to him that on the previous day he had called himself the Duke of Wellington, he straightway replied, "Yes, but that was by another mother."

One patient explained the fact that he was found lying with his feet on the pillow and his head at the foot of the bed, by saying "I am what the doctors call a breech case." I thanked him for this information.

The hypnotic state may be regarded as an artificially produced dissociation, and the remarkable cases of "double personality" which have been reported are very perfect instances of dissociation in its most extreme degrees.

The Instincts.

Coming to the subject of instincts, the study of whose repressions and diversions into new channels of mental and physical activity is a great field of psychological research Dr. Canon describes an instinct as "An inherent prompting to act in a certain way without deliberation."

It is due to herd instinct that we constantly sacrifice individual judgment and desire rather than separate ourselves from the herd. Many a man would rather endure corporal punishment than meet his fellow-men while wearing brown boots with a morning coat. The punishment of the herd for those who come under its ban is expulsion. That this punishment is a severe one will be readily understood, for we see its operation in the case of a man who is "cut" by his old acquaintances, "dropped" by his friends, or expelled from his society or club.

Study It In Hong Kong.

There is no better place to see a living example of this faculty carried out to the letter than in the colony of Hong Kong. We make a stranger feel at home by inviting him to become one of us, for the evening, and we must all have experienced the misery which accompanies the feeling that one is in some way "out of it."

Some idea of ours "did not go down" and was regarded as "bad form" or "eccentric" whereupon we found it convenient to drop the notion and remain very sensitive to any idea that we even ever thought of such a thing.

Discoveries have been treated in this way, and that we owe much of knowledge to-day to the fact that the men who made them were as a rule strong enough to hold out against the herd, though usually with painful consequences to themselves. Jenner, Galileo, Darwin and Lister stand before our minds prominent in this direction; had they not ignored the herd instinct, where should we have been?

The Sex Instinct.

If a man were to be guided entirely by his personal instincts he would behave, like his primitive ancestors, and carry off the lady of his choice to his dwelling at short notice, quelling any resistance by the use of the club. Obedience to herd tradition, however, is a compelling force within him, by virtue of which he dispenses with the club, goes through the conventional period of engagement, and even endures the wedding ceremonies. By this method of lawful and conventional matrimony, he succeeds in resolving the conflict between his sex instinct and his herd tradition.

Freud And Sex.

It is futile to object to Freud's views as to the power of the sex instinct unless one is in some kind of agreement with him as to the sense in which this word is used. He uses the term to cover various feelings to which we should give such names as friendliness, attraction, modesty, and so forth. Whilst it may be argued that Freud's use is too broad, it might equally be shown that we use it in too narrow a sense. For example, it seems obvious that there must be a "sexual" factor in the regard of any man for any woman, yet the average man would feel grossly insulted were it suggested that sex attraction played any part in his friendly relations with, say the relatives and sisters of his wife. This is because he interprets it as definite sexual relationships and acts, and nothing more. The astonishing thing is how any one can possibly fail to appreciate the unique driving and compelling power of the sex instinct, even using the word in the ordinary limited sense. One has observed a girl change from childhood to womanhood under one very own eyes, not referring merely to bodily changes, remarkable and striking though these may be, but to the complete alteration in outlook and behaviour which accompanies the growing consciousness of sex.

A moment's consideration will show that of all human instincts there is none which is subjected to such intense and prolonged process of training, refining, and adapting to the conditions of civilised life as the sex instinct. In the discussion of herd instinct it was pointed out how it conflicts with the sexual instinct at every point, leaving but the one solution of lawful marriage, which does violence to neither. Now if this is considered in detail it will be seen that a very great part of the whole process of education and training is devoted to checking manifestations of the sex instinct, and attempting to adapt it to the demands of civilised society. We may take as an instance the fact that at a certain age, the young child may take a great delight in removing its clothes. This tendency is very promptly and properly checked by those who have the care of it until finally it ceases to appear. The immense majority of children, at the time when puberty is reached have had it firmly and indelibly impressed upon them that the whole matter of sex is something not only fascinatingly mysterious but altogether wicked and wrong, and only to be spoken of thoughtfully.

(Continued on next column.)

THE DIOCESAN SCHOOLS AND ORPHANAGES.

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of covertly and in the absence of parents and teachers.

Deception follows as a matter of course, and may go on to such lengths as in the classical case, reported of a girl who had led the life of grossest immorality and had given birth to two illegitimate children, although her mother assured the physician that her child was utterly ignorant of the meaning of sex. Such teaching should be condemned, and children when old enough should be openly enlightened on these matters.

The Flapper.

Now take for example the childish tendency to show off its naked body, to which we have just referred. The ordinary young woman, or flapper, is not only unconscious of any such tendency (although such exists), but would strongly resent any suggestion that it existed or had ever existed in her. Its manifestations, however, are obvious in such details of dress as low necks, short sleeves, abbreviated skirts, or absence thereof, and the open work or skin coloured stockings, most girls, when they sit down usually showing more than is desired.

The rationalisations that such things are modern, convenient, in accordance with the dictates of fashion, are quite satisfactory to them, and serve to prevent any realization of the real rude nature of these manifestations arising in consciousness.

The Dream, According To Freud.

The dream, according to Freud, arises from some of the activities and interests of the day preceding it, and from memories, wishes, and experiences associated therewith. These "day remnants" would be elements threatening disturbance of sleep, and in using them the dream shows itself to be the guardian of sleep. They are in the subconscious mind of the dreamer, and are subjected to distortion in the production of the dream. In every case this is a mere covering for the central "wish" of the dream, of which we are secretly ashamed, and that this "wish" is a product of the true unconscious mind—something instinctive, infantile, repressed, and almost certainly sexual.

This central "wish" expresses itself by means of a symbol which, being unintelligible to the dreamer's consciousness, is "passed through" as it were, into the dream without further distortion. It is disguised already, because symbolism is the language—the only language—of the true unconscious. The symbols it uses, moreover, were not acquired or learned, still less are they the choice of the individual and explainable, by his personal experiences and associations.

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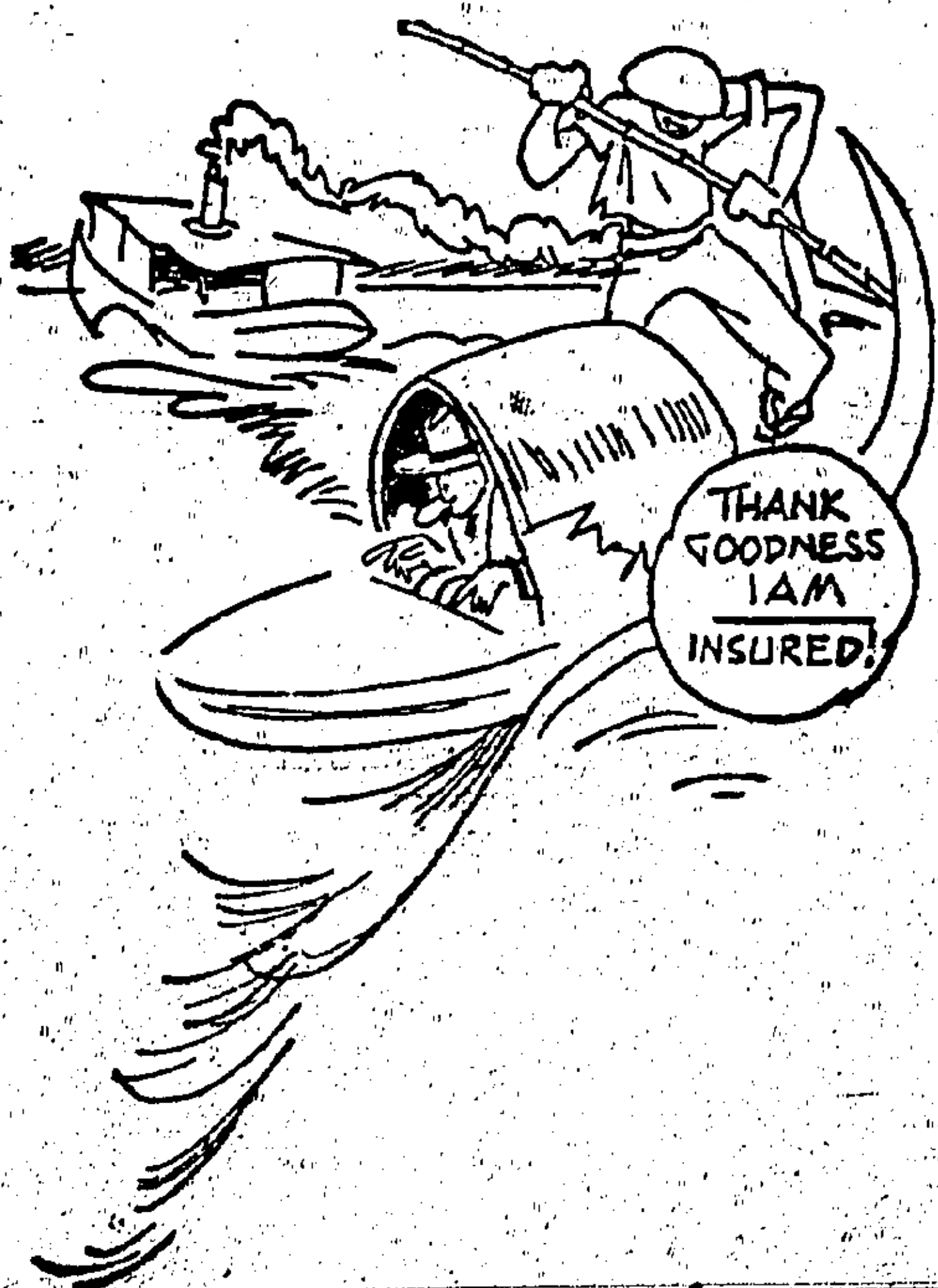
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BULLION ROBBERY TRIAL.

PRISONER FOUND GUILTY.

HOLD UP IN THE HARBOUR RECALLED.

SENTENCE POSTPONED.

Sentence was postponed by Mr. Justice J. R. Wood at the Criminal Sessions yesterday after a Chinese had been found "guilty," with others not in custody, of having on October 12th, robbed Tam Shiu Tong of 600 taels of gold bars, and others of money to the total value of \$23,08, a watch and a gold wrist watch.

This case was a sequel to the seizure in the harbour, of gold bars belonging to the Wo Fat Shing firm, Wing Lok Street, on October 12th, when the launch *Wo Fat Shing* was conveying the bullion to a ship.

Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith (Assistant Crown Solicitor) conducted the case for the Crown, and the prisoner, who pleaded "not guilty," was defended by Mr. H. G. Sheldon, instructed by Mr. G. S. Hugh-Jones.

The jury were empanelled as follows:—Messrs. H. M. Pingue (foreman), J. N. Murray, A. G. Langston, P. Kristofersen, Chan Kwei Pun, A. F. Ferreira and A. Brearley.

Mr. Whyte-Smith said the incident could almost be described as piracy because it took place on the launch when it was under way in the harbour. The *Wo Fat Shing* firm, were exporting gold bars to Annam and they had their own launch to take the gold to the ship sailing for Annam. On October 12th, at about 8.40 p.m., the 600 taels of gold bars were put on board the launch by *Fukia*. They were enclosed in wooden boxes and the whole was in a big tin box.

The Launch's Crew.

The crew consisted of the coxswain, Wong Yi; seaman, Au Hing; fireman or stoker, Ah 'Hui alias Au Siu; a boy Sai Lo; and a substitute engineer, Ah Wing.

The substitute engineer had only been on the launch for about two weeks and was put on board by the permanent engineer, Au San, had not been heard of, since the robbery. The prisoner was also a friend of Au San. He was a member of the crew, but Au San used to bring him on board the launch occasionally and give him meals.

When the launch left the wharf, the prisoner was on board, and in about ten minutes he appeared with a short firearm.

Innocent Members Of Crew Overpowered.

It was doubtful how many men took part in the robbery, but he would suggest that there were probably five, including the fireman and the substitute engineer. Two of the robbers carried firearms and the innocent members of the crew were driven into the cabin where they were bound and searched. Prisoner was a principal searcher.

The men in the cabin heard the boxes being broken open on the deck and later the crew felt the launch bump. They succeeded in freeing themselves and on going on deck found that the boat had gone ashore, opposite Ming Yuen Gardens, North Point, and the robbers had cleared off. They went ashore and reported to the police.

The prisoner was arrested on board a boat which was to sail for Canton, in his stockings were found some bank notes and in one of his shoes a gold bar was found.

The Evidence.

Several members of the party on board the *Wo Fat Shing* at the time of the seizure gave evidence as to incidents on board, and related how they were bound and gagged and robbed. Prisoner was identified as having taken part in the robbery.

One witness, in answer to Mr. Sheldon, admitted that he did not see prisoner take any part in the binding or gagging, although prisoner robbed him of a watch and some money.

A seaman of the *Wo Fat Shing* told how he accompanied police officers to the waterfront to search steamers leaving for Canton, and found prisoner lying in a bunk on the *Wo Fat Shing*.

A Chinese constable, who helped in the search of the steamer, and took prisoner to the Police Station, said that prisoner told him he had come to Central District from Quarry Bay in a motor car with some others and that he himself had gone straight on board the steamer and did not know where the two men went to.

When searched at No. 2 Police Station nothing, except money, was found on the prisoner. This money amounted to \$25, a \$10 note and \$5 note being found in one stocking, and a \$10 note in another stocking. Before the search was completed the man was ordered to be taken to the Water Police Station. His shoes and stockings had been taken off and so far as witness knew the prisoner went across the harbour barefooted.

The Statement.

A statement made by prisoner in reply to the charge was as follows:—
"I was on board the steam launch. I did not hold a revolver and I did not search any person. Ah Wing and Ah Siu told me to take the wheel for them. Alongside the wall they told me to go ashore. On alighting from the boat they told me to get a motor car. Ah Wing gave me \$50 near the China Bunk and told me to go on a steamer to Canton at once."

Mr. Sheldon asked why the prisoner was not formally charged before the afternoon of the 14th, when he was arrested on the 13th.

Sub-Inspector A. J. W. Dorrington was called and asked by His Lordship if he could give any reason regarding the above question, said that he waited to take statements from witnesses and to complete investigations before he made up his mind to charge the man on the 14th. He did not commence his investigations until 9 a.m. on the morning following the robbery.

After further evidence, the case for the Crown was concluded.

Mr. Sheldon intimated that he did not intend to call evidence or to address the jury.

Mr. Whyte Smith also indicated that he did not wish to address the jury.

The Summing Up.

In the course of his summing up, His Lordship referred to Mr. Sheldon's suggestion in defence that the man's mental calibre was not normal. There was no evidence, added His Lordship, on that, and if prisoner wanted to allege that it was for prisoner's counsel to prove it.

His Lordship continued that he thought the Crown evidence was sufficiently solid for a conviction, and prisoner's statement in some respects was in favour of the Crown case.

Unsatisfactory Searching.

Coming to the evidence of searching prisoner, His Lordship commented that it was very unsatisfactory. The shoes were removed from prisoner at No. 2 Police Station. Nothing was obtained from the shoe. The shoe was put on prisoner again, apparently after he left the charge room of No. 2 Police Station, and he then wore his shoes without socks. Prisoner crossed in the ferry in charge of the police, and on the ferry his handcuffs were removed. He arrived at the Water Police Station and was ordered to be searched in the presence of an Inspector. It was known to be the second search and nothing was found on him. Yet after a detective had taken him away out of the Inspector's presence into a cell, and incidentally after the coxswain of the launch had attended to report, a seaman states in evidence that this man's shoes were removed and a piece of gold bar taken out of one of them.

"I would not like to say on that evidence that the piece of gold was in the man's shoe when he was on the *Kwongtung* and was arrested," went on His Lordship. "However, the Crown case does not rest entirely or chiefly on that."

His Lordship pointed out that all witnesses had stated that the prisoner had a pistol and searched them. They had it from prisoner that he took the wheel and shared in the proceedings at the very last. His Lordship said that he did not see how the jury could on the evidence avoid recording a conviction. If they thought it was possible that this man was there without knowledge of what was going on, or what he did was under compulsion, then there might be some ground for returning a different verdict, but there was very little evidence of that.

His Lordship also added that if the jury had any suspicion that other members of the crew who had given evidence were privy to what was going on, he would advise them to make no difference to the prisoner's guilt.

Without retiring, the jury returned a verdict of "Guilty."

Mr. Sheldon asked leave to say a few words in mitigation, and His Lordship postponed sentence until to-morrow (Wednesday) morning, when Mr. Sheldon will make remarks in extenuation. Sentence will then be passed.

ROUND THE POLICE
COURTS.MOTHER DISGUSTED WITH
HER SON.

WANTS HIM GAOLED.

[BY NOTE-BOOK.]

The monotonous routine of Court proceedings saw a surprise yesterday at Kowloon when a mother showed no mercy on her son who had robbed her. The woman suggested a proper sentence, increased it and in the end thought that even five years would not be too severe.

"AH SOO'S" CRIME.

Robbing his own mother was the spare-time occupation of a Chinese house coolie who, with his mother an amah, were employed at No. 3, Pratt Buildings, Kowloon.

Taking advantage of his mother's absence one day, he cleared off with a suit case containing clothing, a diamond ring, and other articles. All these he pawned together with a wrist watch which a kind mother had given him to wear.

When brought before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy, defendant admitted three charges of larceny arising from his action.

The boy's mother was asked by his Worship if she wished to say anything with regard to the penalty. "I want him sent to prison for three months," said the woman, and, as an afterthought, "You had better make it one year." Later the woman said, "five years would not be too severe."

His Worship's sentence was two months' hard labour on the first charge, with fines of \$25 or three weeks' imprisonment on each of the other two charges.

A DANGEROUS WALKING
STICK.

A plea that he was ignorant of the local regulations was tendered by a Northern Chinese before Major C. Willson in answer to a charge of possession of a sword stick without a permit.

Detective Sub-Inspector Andrew told the Magistrate that the defendant was arrested on board the *Sai On* on her arrival from Canton, but there was no reason to think he was a "Red" as the man's explanation that he was a messenger returning to Hupeh after a visit to Canton was considered satisfactory.

The Magistrate imposed a fine of \$100 and ordered the confiscation of the weapon.

TRAM INSPECTOR
ASSAULTED.

A former Chinese employee of the Hong Kong Tramway Company was convicted by Mr. R. E. Lindell for assaulting a Chinese ticket inspector.

The defendant was that the inspector struck him first and the defendant retaliated.

The inspector's version was that he asked the conductor to collect five cents from a passenger travelling on a Shauiwan car. This was resented by the defendant, who followed the inspector when he left the car and struck him on the neck with a stick, knocking him down.

The defendant was sentenced to fourteen days' hard labour.

COLLECTING "TEA MONEY."

A Chinese who was charged before Mr. Lindell with obtaining 60 cents by false pretences from a motor car driver stated in defence that he was the agent for a Chinese constable who had asked him to collect "tea money" from motor car touts, and he did so, not knowing that the constable was laying a trap for him. The defendant failed to prove this allegation and was sentenced to six weeks' hard labour.

CHRISTIE AND BLUHM.

Following his discharge on Saturday on the accusation of being concerned in the morphia traffic and his subsequent re-arrest, James Christie appeared before Major C. Willson at the morning session to be formally charged on the new count of criminal conspiracy with Bluhm to extort money from the Police Reserve witness Au Yeung. Defendant was remanded.

Bluhm, the other defendant in the long drawn out case, will appear before Mr. R. E. Lindell this morning for being, it is alleged, in the Colony without a passport.

A EUROPEAN STOWAWAY.

In explaining how he came to be on the *s.s. Derfing* on which he stowed away from Manila to Hong Kong, a European named K. Spangler told the Kowloon Magistrate that he drank too much beer and went to sleep. An officer from the vessel said that when found out the defendant asked for work, stating that he desired to go to Germany. The Magistrate imposed a fine of \$50, or four weeks' hard labour.

(Continued on next column.)

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[A.T.B.]

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MEET ALL REQUIREMENTS.

INSPECTION CORDIALLY INVITED.

THE WING ON CO., LTD.

A BANK NOTE CASE.

A Chinese employee of the Commercial Press, Ltd., Kennedy Town, was charged at the Central Magistracy yesterday with feloniously making a copper plate resembling a five dollar note of the Central Bank of Canton. Three other Chinese were also charged with aiding and abetting the first defendant.

In his evidence a foreman of the Commercial Press said that his Company had been printing notes for the Bank of Kwangsi but not for the Central Bank of Canton. Witness was persuaded by the second and fourth defendants to take a photograph for purposes of engraving, which he destroyed after showing them. Witness said that the defendants then offered to give him between \$100 to \$200 to take another photograph, but being suspicious, he refused. The next day he saw the first and third

defendants working on a copper plate. This fact was reported to the manager, who took the plate, and asked the first defendant to leave the workshop.

Mr. G. S. Hugh-Jones, who appeared for the defence, reserved his cross-examination and the case was adjourned until Friday at 11.30 a.m. and in the afternoon.

THEFT AT AERODROME.

A scavenging coolie employed at the Kai Tak Aerodrome was charged before the Kowloon Magistrate with the theft of copper wire and electrical fittings. Defendant admitted taking the things, but said that he merely picked them up.

After hearing a police officer's statement that such things were among the ruins of a recent fire, his Worship imposed a fine of \$25, remarking that it was putting temptation in the way of the coolies.

CANTON'S DESIRE FOR PEACE.

DOUBLE MENACE FROM KWANGSI AND THE REDS.

3,600 REFUGEES ARRIVE HERE YESTERDAY.

According to information gathered by our representative from passengers aboard the *Fatshan* which arrived here earlier than usual last night it was believed that the "Reds" are massing to the North of Canton and preparing another attack on the city. At present everything is quiet, but dead bodies still litter the streets and the business is only slowly re-starting. Refugees continue to pour into Hong Kong, over 3,000 arriving last night by the *Fatshan* and *Tung On*.

The city is faced with the double fear of attack by the Reds and by the Kwangsi militarists. Efforts are being made to secure a peaceful settlement but opinion in Chinese circles is not optimistic. General Li Tsai Hsin, who is said to be on his way to Swatow, has a strong personal following in Canton, but the Kwangsi group under Wong Shiu Hung is not wanted.

There have been rumours of fighting in the West River district but the big clash has yet to come.

The work of organising relief is going forward and an appeal for funds has been issued to Cantonese all the world over.

RIVER STEAMERS CROWDED.

Refugees are still pouring into the Colony. Well over 2,000 arrived by the *Lungshan* and the *Sai On* on Sunday night, and yesterday afternoon, the *s.s. Kintan* brought down over 1,600, while the night boats, the *Fatshan* and *Tung On*, brought 700 and 1,300, respectively.

The capacity bookings have continued right over the week-end and, indeed, the boats have been full ever since the recent outbreak at Canton.

There appears to be no prospect of any diminution in passenger traffic from up the river, as further trouble is expected in Canton.

The thorough and systematic searching of all incoming steamers by the police and a special band of searchers continues unremittingly, but the detentions of suspects appears to be on the decrease now, although nothing is being left to chance.

THE KONGMOON SERVICE.

Although the Kongmoon situation is by no means easy, and there is still considerable unrest with outbreaks of firing at passing ships, the Kongmoon-Hong Kong service of steamers has again been resumed, and practically all steamers are now on the run.

The *Wing On* and *Tai Lee* sailed on Sunday night with heavy passengers bookings and fair cargo, and the *On Lee* and *San Nam Hoi* left last evening. All vessels have fair bookings.

SNIPING IN WEST RIVER.

The *Tai Ming* has been fired at in the West River. She was approaching Dosing in the early hours of last Friday morning when she was fired upon from the river bank. Thinking that the place was under martial law, the master anchored and waited until daylight. When the ship again approached Dosing at about seven o'clock, and in full daylight, she was again fired upon by Chinese, who are said to have aimed at the navigating bridge. The ship bears several bullet marks.

CANTON QUIET.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

Canton was quiet during the last two days but despite this, the exodus continued, and at least 1,611 people left for Hong Kong by the *s.s. Kintan* yesterday. Coming down with the crowd were several members of the Kuomintang City Committee who assisted the Hong Kong Police by pointing out "Red" suspects and other persons who should be searched, and nearly a dozen young men and women, including two girls from the Chop Shun School, were detained. Since the departure of General Wong Kie Cheung for Hong Kong, the situation in Canton has eased. His troops, who were suspected of "Red" sympathies are now commanded by another general of very opposite views.

WANG CHING WEI.

Mr. Wang Ching Wei has left Shanghai, probably for France. He was to have made America his destination, but the American Authorities are said to have raised an objection to his landing.

Madame Sun Yat Sen, wiring from Moscow, protests against the severance of relationship by the Kuomintang with the Soviet Government. Madame Sun has been in Moscow since last August.

During the upheaval at least 1,500 shops and houses were looted, according to reports received by the Police to date.

FIGHTING STARTS?

Fighting has been reported in the Tacking district of the West River between the Kwangtung and Kwangsi troops.

KWANGSI TROOPS' VICTORY.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

After the battle at Tacking, between the Kwangtung and the Kwangsi troops, the former retreated to Canton, according to the latest report. The pro-Kwangsi forces are said to have arrived at Shuihing, midway between Wuchow and Canton.

Pro-Kwangsi troops are also marching westward from the Swatow section, and regular Kwangtung troops have been sent to check their advance.

CANTON OFFICIALS' VIEWS.

At present Canton officials are divided: the military section, led by Generals Li Fook Lam, Sit Ngok, Fong Ting Ying, and Chu Fai, are not unfavourable to the return of General Li Tsai Hsin, the leader of the Kwangsi clique, to power; while the civil section, headed by Messrs. Chan Kung Pok, Kan Nei Kuang, and Chen Shih Jen, would welcome the participation of General Chen Ming Shu in Canton affairs.

GENERAL YEH TING'S SEAL.

An examination of the documents seized from the short-lived "Soviet Government in Canton" shows that many of them have borne the private seal of General Yeh Ting, the "Red" commander of the troops, who had, for some time caused trouble at Nanchang and Swatow.

CANTON SCHOOLS.

All the schools in Canton managed by foreign missionaries were closed during last week-end, and practically all foreign teachers have left for Shanghai or Hong Kong. The Lingnan University foreign faculty is remaining at Hongkong, the campus of the institution, not yet having taken any action.

CANTONESE TROOPS.

A rumour was current early in the evening yesterday that Cantonese troops on the south side of the City (Honam) and those on the north side had come into conflict, but no confirmation was possible. It is true that the 5th Army Corps has withdrawn from the north to the south side.

In view of the necessity of having a strong garrison in Canton to guard against the return of the "Reds," it has been decided by the Political Council in Canton to shorten their defence of the City. The Kwangtung troops, when unable to meet the enemy in the Eastern and Western Districts, will simply concentrate their men around Canton City.

MR. CHU CHAO HSIN.

Mr. Chu Chao Hsin, Commissioner for Foreign Affairs of Canton, is expected in Hong Kong in a day or two on business. Mr. Chu, in addition to other duties, is head of the Relief Bureau and is attending to the reconstruction and charity work necessitated by the recent catastrophe. He will meet Hong Kong merchants and discuss the question of Canton relief.

RUSSIANS IN CANTON.

CONFIRMATION OF VICE-CONSUL'S EXECUTION.

DOCUMENTS SEIZED NOW BEING EXAMINED.

A telegram received from Canton on Saturday confirms the statement previously published that the Soviet Vice-Consul, M. Hassan, was among the five Russians executed on December 14th. He is said to have been caught with other Russians, directing the revolutionaries at Police headquarters when the latter were re-taken by the troops.

It is also reported that the Consul-General and the remainder of the staff of the Consulate are under arrest. Many papers were seized in the Soviet Consulate and these are now being examined.

The political situation in Canton is still uneasy and there are rumours of impending trouble between military leaders in Canton.

ARMS AND SEDITIOUS LITERATURE.

[CANTON NEWS AGENCY.]

A joint telegram under date of December 17th sent out by General Chang Fat Fui, Mr. Chan Kung Pok and General Li Fook Lam to Messrs. Wang Ching Wei and Chiang Kai Shek and the Central Commissioners at Shanghai reads as follows:

Canton, Dec. 17th. "When attacking the Communists on the 13th inst., more than ten Russians were shot, and about the same number of them made their escape by the North Route. In the Russian Consulate, we found two boxes of printed matter, preaching mutiny and a number of loaded pistols which we have handed over to the Police. Please advise us by telegram as to what measures we shall take in dealing with them."

PEASANT BANDS.

HOW THEY WERE ORGANISED.

ROBBING PETER TO PAY PAUL.

AN ATTRACTIVE SYSTEM.

A Chinese correspondent has furnished us with some details of the methods by which the Peasants' organisations in Kwangtung are recruited.

These bands, as is well-known, were brought into being by the Kuomintang. They are permeated with communism and are sufficiently strong to terrorise whole districts.

All persons who rent land for cultivation are eligible for membership. The subscription to the Peasants' Society is twenty cents a month, and as long as this subscription is regularly paid the members are informed that they need pay only 60 per cent. of the rent due to their landlords, the organisation of the Peasants guaranteeing the individual from anything in the nature of reprisals taken by the unfortunate owner of the land.

The remaining forty per cent. of the rent is not retained by the peasant farmer, but goes to swell the exchequer of the organisation.

It is an ingenious scheme which bands the peasants together into comparatively rich bodies, capable of purchasing arms and ammunition, by the simple process of robbing the landlords.

Our Chinese correspondent has from time to time given us some account of the horrible cruelties perpetrated by these peasant bands in different parts of the province, and particularly in the Hoifung and Lukfung districts which have suffered terribly.

It is estimated that 10,000 people from these districts alone have sought refuge in Hong Kong during recent months. Over 1,000 of the residents there lost their lives and many houses have been given over to the flames in the looting and plundering which have been of frequent occurrence. One well-known scholar was brutally tortured. He had his nose cut off and his tongue torn out and was then paraded through the streets before being executed.

CORRESPONDENCE.

GERMANS AT TUNGSHAN.

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONG KONG DAILY PRESS."]

SIR.—A notice in your issue of the 14th inst. under the heading "International Rescues by British Gunboat," states that 35 Germans were amongst the refugees from Tungshan on H.M.S. *Moorhen*, and goes on as follows: "It appears that the foreign community of Tungshan has not been entirely evacuated as about six British subjects and some other foreigners refused to leave." Neither of these statements is quite correct. As far as the Germans are concerned, permit me to state that the correct figures were as follows: On H.M.S. *Moorhen* were 4 men, 12 women and 14 children. At Tungshan remained 51 men, 6 women and 1 child.

Thanking you for the space granted for publishing these figures.—Yours, etc.

A. SCHUBERT.

Canton, Dec. 17th, 1927.

DEATH FROM ELECTRIC SHOCK.

JURY'S RECOMMENDATION.

EXAMINING OF INSTALLATIONS EVERY 3 YEARS.

Sitting as Coroner at the Central Magistracy yesterday, Major C. Willson with a jury conducted an enquiry into the death of a Chinese from an electric shock while working in the basement of the Chartered Bank building on December 6th.

Mr. A. E. Clark, senior inspector of the Electric Department of the P.W.D., expressed the opinion that a leakage had apparently existed along the whole length of the corrugated iron roof of the vault, which was in some way brought into contact with wet concrete forming the reinforcement of the partitions on which the deceased was working.

Witness thought that in the course of his work the man touched a circuit and received a fatal shock. After hearing other evidence the jury brought in a verdict of death by misadventure, adding a recommendation that installations should be examined once every three years by the Company supplying the power.

THE REPORT TO SHANGHAI.

HOW REINFORCEMENTS ARRIVED.

RUSSIAN CONSULATE BLAMED.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

In reporting the Canton "Red" uprising to Mr. Wang Ching Wei and General Chiang Kai Shek in Shanghai, the Political Council at Canton, wired, in part, as follows:

"On the early morning of December 11th, at about three o'clock, taking advantage of the absence of the regular troops in the West and East River sectors and while the City was devoid of a garrison, the 'Reds' commenced action on the North Parade Ground, the disaffected members of the Training Corps joining in the mutiny. They killed Colonel Chu Min Fang, Chief of Staff, and more than 50 other officers and men. Some cadets also joined, and they together with some disaffected men of the Emergency Corps succeeded in killing Colonel Tang Kai Yuan and Surgeon Chang Yu Cheng of their force."

"At the same time the 'Reds' made a vigorous search for Chan Kung Pok, Chang Fat Fui, Wong Kie Cheung, Chu Fai Yat, and Chau Min Cho."

"The Russians from the Soviet Consulate directed the 'Red' operations during the attack."

"Mr. Chan Kung Pok and others, on hearing of the uprising, hurriedly left the north for the south side of the City to assemble at the Headquarters of the 5th Army Corps. At the same time, orders to return and relieve Canton City were issued to the 24th Division at Shuihing who were told to despatch one regiment; the 2nd Division of Kongmoon, two regiments; the 3rd Division at Whampoa, one regiment; the 5th Corps at Fatshan, two battalions; and the 6th Corps at Shuihsan, one regiment. At the same time, General Li Fook Lam took up the defence of Honam, while Mr. Chan Kung Pok and General Chang Fat Fui went aboard the Canton *s.s. Pa Pak* to join Naval Commandant Fung Shiu Ming and direct the flotilla then in the Harbour. General Wong Kie Cheung took command of the *s.s. Kong Tai* and shelled the 'Reds' along the Bund on the north side of Canton."

"On the same day Mr. Chan and General Chang went by gunboat to Kongmoon to hasten the return of reinforcements from that port and on the evening of the 12th departed from Kongmoon for Shuihing on a similar mission."

"On the night of December 12th, the 6th Regiment of the 5th Corps re-occupied the heights of the Hill of the Goddess of Mercy and the White Cloud Mountain, and they were followed by detachments of the 24th, the 2nd, the 3rd Divisions and the 5th Corps which succeeded in landing on the Bund the morning of the 13th, when they recaptured the City completely. Among over a thousand 'Reds' captured in the struggle were more than ten Russians."

"It has been proved that the Soviet Consulate in Canton has been used as the headquarters of the 'Red' intrigue to cause disturbance among the unemployed of the recent Canton strike and to use the unprincipled elements of the Training and the Emergency Corps to revolt; and that the uprising has been instigated by General Li Tsai Hsin and General Fung Chok Men, who ordered the bandits of the East River under Yuan Hah Kau and others to enter the city on midnight of the 10th."

"It is understood that the uprising was to have taken place on the 15th, but it has been discovered by Commissioner Chu Fai Yat who later effected a number of arrests."

"The pillage and destruction of property involved all the sections of Taipingsha, Wingchomamioo, Yauqchumakai, Kotnikai, and the Central Bank of China building. The bank's strong room remained intact."

The report concluded with a recommendation to sever all relations with the Soviets and promised that work of relief and reconstruction will be carried out.

A SNATCHER'S REWARD.

TWO YEARS IN GAOL.

A Chinese who pleaded guilty to a charge of larceny by snatching the sum of \$375 from a Chinese pig dealer from Kwong Chow Wan, was sentenced to two years' hard labour by Mr. Justice J. B. Wood at the Criminal Sessions yesterday.

This money was received by the pig dealer as the result of business he had transacted in Hong Kong. The prisoner was charged first with larceny and threats of violence, and secondly with simple larceny.

Mr. J. S. Whyte Smith, (assistant Crown Solicitor) prosecuted. Referring to his Lordship, Mr. Whyte Smith said that \$40 of the amount stolen had not been recovered. When the prisoner was charged, after snatching the money from the pig dealer, he dropped some of the notes, and it appeared likely that some of the money had been picked up by other people.

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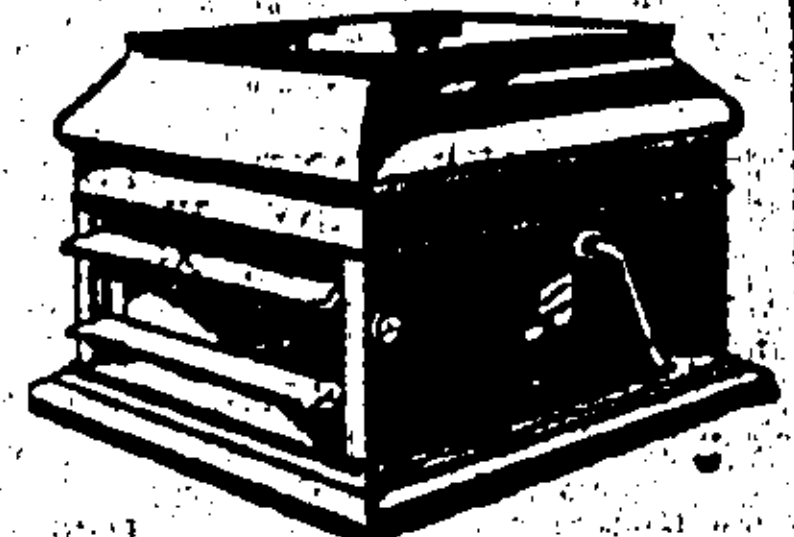
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HOLDERS of the above-mentioned Tickets are HEREBY INFORMED that effective JANUARY 1st, 1928, such Tickets will not be available.
SPECIAL tickets are those which have hitherto been sold at less than the charge of \$5.00 each.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
LAM MING FAN,
Secretary,
Hong Kong, 20th Dec., 1927. [5677]

BANKRUPTCY No. 21 OF 1925.

A DIVIDEND is intended to be declared in the matter of GEO. P. and H. A. LAMBERT, GEORGE PHILIP LAMBERT and HEBBERT ALEXANDER LAMBERT, of this Colony, adjudicated Bankrupt on the 30th day of March, 1926.
Creditors who have not proved their Debts by the 25th day of JANUARY, 1928, will be excluded.
S. HAMPTON ROSS,
Trustee.
Dated the 19th day of December, 1927. [5678]

NOTICE.

BRUNNER MOND & CO. (CHINA), LTD.
I have TO-DAY resumed Charge of the Company's Interests in SOUTH CHINA.
G. F. HASLAM,
Divisional Manager,
Hong Kong, Dec. 19th, 1927. [5673]

NOTICE.

WE have REMOVED our Offices to the NEW P. & O. BUILDING (4th Floor), from 19th of DECEMBER, 1927.
DOUGLAS LARRAIK & CO.
Hong Kong, 17th Dec., 1927. [5671]

NOTICE.

THE Offices of the DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY have been REMOVED to the NEW P. & O. BUILDING (4th Floor), from MONDAY 18th of DECEMBER, 1927.
DOUGLAS LARRAIK & CO.,
General Managers,
DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP CO. LTD.,
Hong Kong, 17th Dec., 1927. [5672]

NOTICE.

TRADESMEN AND OTHERS ARE HEREBY WARNED that, under Section 144, Air Force Act, as Airman cannot be placed under Stoppage of Pay for a Private Debt contracted before or after Enlistment, and all Persons who give Credit to an Airman do so at Their Own Risk.
[5686]

NOTICE.

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ST. GEORGE'S BALL,
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NOTICE.

THE PUBLIC IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that on and from the 20th INSTANT, the EXPRESS TRAIN which now leaves Kowloon at 3.00 P.M. will Depart Daily at 2.15 P.M. and Arrive at Canton at 5.05 P.M.

The following Trains will be CANCELLED on and from the 20th—

TRAIN Leaving Kowloon, at 2.35 P.M. on Week-days.

TRAIN Leaving SHAM CHU, at 6.40 P.M. on Week-days.

By Order,
ROBERT BAKER,
Manager and Chief Engineer,
Kowloon, 17th Dec., 1927. [5681]

INTIMATIONS.

FANLING HUNT-STEEPLE-CHASES.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24th,
At 3.15 P.M.

ADMISSION to Public Enclosure, \$1.00. Ladies Free.
Admission to Subscribers' Enclosure on production of Badge only.
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Cars parked on the Racecourse: \$5.00 Each.
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ROYAL HONG KONG GOLF CLUB.

DRAWING OF DEBENTURES.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on THURSDAY, the 29th DECEMBER, 1927, A DRAWING for the Redemption of Two Hundred Debentures will be held in the SANITARY BOARD ROOM, Post Office Building, at 5.30 P.M.

The Numbers of the Debentures Drawn will be published in the Hong Kong Government Gazette and the local Newspapers, and Holders of Drawn Debentures may, upon giving Notice to the Secretary waiving the Six Months' Notice to which they are entitled, apply on the 18th JANUARY, 1928, to the SECRETARY, for Payment of the Principal and Interest to the 15th JANUARY, 1928.

Holders of Debentures are invited to Attend the Drawing.
By Order of the Committee,
E. D. MATTHEWS,
Secretary,
Hong Kong, 13th Dec., 1927. [5645]

HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

ANNUAL RACE MEETING:
13th, 14th, 15th & 16th
FEBRUARY, 1928.

DEBENTURE Programmes and Entry Forms are Now Ready and may be obtained at the RACE COURSE, HONG KONG CLUB and OATS-WAY BAY STABLES. [5683]

HONG KONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Certificate No. 3/193 18017 dated Hong Kong, 7th SEPTEMBER, 1927, for Ten Shares of this Bank numbered 56180/56189 in the Name of Mr. ARNOLD RUSSELL RIVETT has been LOST or STOLEN, and should this Certificate not be produced to the Bank before the 22nd DECEMBER, 1927, a New Certificate for the Shares will be issued, and the aforesaid Certificate No. 3/193 18017 will be thereafter treated by this Corporation as NULL and VOID.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
A. C. HYNES,
Chief Manager,
Hong Kong, 22nd November, 1927. [5656]

BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEES.

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HONG KONG, DECEMBER 20th, 1927.

THE REJECTION OF THE NEW PRAYER BOOK.

THE unexpected rejection of the Revised Prayer Book by the House of Commons shows how a determined minority can impose its will on a community. The National Assembly of the Church of England passed the Revised Prayer Book, which had been drawn up and presented by the greatest authorities of that body, by overwhelming majorities. The opposition had been fairly strenuous, but well reasoned and moderate in its methods. There was certainly no public alarm at the proposed alterations and, indeed, not a great deal of interest in them. It was felt that the whole thing was in good hands and the support of so strong a Protestant as Dr. HENSLEY HENSON, Bishop of Durham, allayed any fear there might be of "Romanising tendencies." Most of the proposed changes, such for example, as the modification of the more outworn parts of the marriage service and the addition of prayers suitable to circumstances that did not exist in 1662, when the last revision was made, were approved by everyone.

The controversy centred upon an alternative form of the Communion Service that did no more than legalise the practise of every church where the moderate High Church ritual is customary. It was a wise measure. The differences between

Evangelicals and Anglo-Catholics are too deep to admit of compromise, and neither party has the slightest chance of suppressing the other. The accredited leaders of all parties, agreed, however, that these differences were not of a fundamental nature; that the latitude tacitly allowed was entirely permissible but ought to be more clearly stated, as it is was desired to strengthen the hands of the Bishops in dealing with those who overstepped the very wide margins allowed both in matters of belief and custom. The Reservation of the sacred elements used in the Communion service was urged on the grounds that the clergy were constantly required to administer the sacrament at extremely short notice and that the matter was one of practical convenience. The fear of a revival of medieval superstition and direct worship of the elements was scouted as ridiculous in these times.

But the opposition fastened upon this "threat to the Reformation," and a phrase that did not figure in the debates of the National Assembly was frequently heard in political circles where the facts, both of the Reformation and of recent ecclesiastical tendencies have necessarily been less carefully studied. The Prime Minister, according to the cable summary of his speech, took a serious view of the consequences of rejection. He saw in it chaos both in doctrine and administration and the revival of the Disestablishment issue. The Times echoed his view, but a good many London papers decline to believe that there is any need for Church of England people to be alarmed. The present system of compromise and goodwill in face of disagreement has worked well for many years, and the opposition from without is negligible. Since the war the rivalry between the Establishment and Non-conformity has been "allayed." All churches are alive to the attack of Bolshevism and not one of them wishes to see the blow to organised religion that Disestablishment would imply.

The House of Commons defeat was obviously due to the indifference of members. There was by no means a full house, and as it was not a party measure a good many mild supporters no doubt seized the opportunity for a day's holiday, resting assured that a measure which had everywhere had an easy passage would pass the Commons safely. It is this indifference of the Commons that may lead many churchmen to urge the riddance of an irksome control, even at the sacrifice of a good many privileges. It will be a national loss if this were to occur and it is unlikely that it would be permitted or even that the issue will be seriously raised. If disestablishment comes up, disendowment will be mentioned in a good many quarters, and that means "dragging" religious questions into the middle of the political arena.

During the week-end one Chinese case of diphtheria was reported.

Lady Clementi will distribute the Peak School prizes, at the Peak Club, to-day, at 5.15 p.m.

The death has occurred at the age of 56 of Mr. Harold Carmichael, the Municipal Assessor, of Singapore, following an operation.

The offices of the Douglas Steamship Company, Limited, have been removed to the New P. & O. Building (4th floor) as from yesterday.

Mr. R. et Arculli, a well known local solicitor, returned from Europe, where he has been spending a holiday for some months past, on the Derfflinger, yesterday.

While riding a bicycle on the Praya East on Sunday, a Chinese ran into a tram car, receiving serious injuries to his head which necessitated his removal to hospital.

The total output of the Kailan Mining Administration's mines for the week ending November 29th, amounted to 111,457 tons, and the sales during the period to 86,283 tons.

The prize distribution at the Kowloon Junior School takes place this morning, at 10.30. Mrs. Cook will distribute the awards, and a report of the year's work will also be made.

An employee of a bean-curd maker at a village in Au Tau, has absconded with it is believed \$215 belonging to his master. This sum was found missing from a box, the lock of which had been forced open.

An order was made by the Kowloon Magistrate yesterday for the confiscation of 970 taels of raw opium. The drug was found hidden under the floor boards of the engine room on the s.s. Foot Song when she arrived from Calcutta on Friday morning.

Father Plaret, of St. Margaret's Church, has reported to the police the theft of a carpet valued at \$300 from the church on Friday afternoon. The carpet was subsequently recovered in a pawn shop, but the man who pledged the article has not yet been traced.

As the Yaumatei ferry launch Man Fec was on a trip to the Hong Kong side on Sunday, a Chinese woman passenger jumped overboard. The master of a sampan rescued the woman, who was sent to hospital. Another woman who attempted to commit suicide by jumping from the ferry boat Man Tai was also rescued.

Under the auspices of the Club Lusitano, a cinema entertainment will be given at the Club Lusitano to-day, at 5.30 p.m. Mr. R. O. Tredwell (the United States of America Consul-General in Hong Kong) will preside and following his introductory address, a number of interesting films dealing with agriculture will be screened. The pictures will show chicken rearing, the hook worm, sericulture and the tractor farmer.

A number of thefts from European residences during the week-end have been reported to the police. Mrs. Landry, living at No. 3, Carnarvon Road, Kowloon, had a trunk in her room forced open and \$100 in bank notes stolen. Mr. Padgett, of No. 4, Peak Road, had a visit from a burglar who got away with jewellery worth \$100. Mr. Bristow, of No. 20, The Peak, had clothing worth \$47 stolen from his room.

According to a report made by a boat mistress, three men engaged her boat near the Ice Factory at Shamshuipo to go to Nanjing Camp. On nearing their destination the passengers changed their minds and wanted the woman to take them to Chungshanwan. The boat woman became suspicious and rowed the boat to Laichikok where they beached the boat, taking away with them the woman's jewellery valued at \$85.

The last of a successful series of fortnightly Whist Drives was held by members of the Kowloon Bowling Green Club on Saturday evening. The prize-winners were as follows: Ladies—1st Mrs. R. Dunne; 2nd, Mrs. Hevey; 3rd, Mrs. Purvis; Hidden Number, Mrs. Bell. Gentlemen—1st Mr. C. Stewart; 2nd Mr. Hevey; 3rd Mr. Bell. Hidden Numbers, Messrs. MacFarlane and Fraser; Booby, Mr. C. Bond. Presentations were made to Mr. and Mrs. D. Harvey and Mr. and Mrs. A. Allison for their services in organising the games. Mrs. B. Wylie distributed the prizes.

"That Young Men and Women to-day are less serious than they were 25 years ago" was the topic of the latest debate of St. Peter's Young Men's Club, held last night. The motion was ably proposed by Capt. J. Charnock, B.A., and he was supported by Mrs. J. Paid. The opposition was led by Miss E. Couch, and Mr. C. K. Ong, of the Hong Kong University, seconded. Opinion was very much divided, some holding the view that modern pleasures and attractions, etc., had robbed the younger generation of much of the old-time and pre-war seriousness, while others supported the view that advanced education and present conditions had tended to make young people just as serious and thoughtful, in spite of a more pleasurable life, as in the last quarter-century.

ARMED ROBBERY BY DAYLIGHT.

PERILS OF SHANGHAI STREETS.

ATTACK ON AN INVALID.

SHANGHAI, Dec. 14th.

So far armed attacks and murders are reported as taking place after dusk, but after what happened yesterday morning in Boone Road it seems people are not quite safe in front of their own houses in broad daylight, says a Shanghai paper.

Lately, a number of murders have been reported in districts on the other side of the creek, and yesterday, an incident at about 10.30 a.m., in Nanjing Road, near Boone Road, a very busy district in the mornings, resulted in two desperadoes being brought to-day to the Provisional Court, when they were charged with armed highway robbery.

It appears that shortly after 10 o'clock yesterday morning, a Portuguese subject, Santos, who recently left the hospital and who is still in poor health, was proceeding to the General Hospital. Hardly had he reached Boone Road than a gang of four Chinese knocked him down, and began to go through his pockets. Being in poor health, Santos could not offer much opposition to the robbers.

Crowd Looks On.

As is the custom in Shanghai, a crowd of onlookers could be soon perceived surrounding the unfortunate man and his assailants, but, not one Chinese present gave a helping hand to the poor man on the ground.

Mr. Rangel, also a Portuguese subject, who was passing at the time fought his way to the man on the ground, and as he was doing so he saw one of the desperadoes hold a knife over Santos as though he was going to stab him, while the other was going through the man's pockets. Mr. Rangel then shouted to the Chinese police on duty for help, which frightened the robbers, who ran in different directions.

Three of them turned into Seward Road for shelter, while the other proceeded along Nanjing Road. Mr. Rangel, assisted by a Japanese constable from the Hong-kew police station, followed the Seward Road gang, and succeeded in capturing the pair.

As the police hope to lay hands on other members of the gang, an adjournment was requested.

"CHEER O" Y.M.C.A.

THE CHRISTMAS PROGRAMME.

Christmas has not been forgotten by the Naval and Military Y.M.C.A. ("Cheer O"), Chater Road. On Friday there will be a grand concert, of a very special and attractive nature, at the City Hall at 7 p.m. On Monday next there will be a social evening, and on the following Thursday, a dance. Both the last mentioned functions take place in the City Hall.

During this week there will be sing-song at the "Cheer O" to-night, at 7.30; to-morrow (Wednesday) there will be a whist drive, at the same hour; and on Thursday there will be an informal dance, at 7 p.m.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Royal Observatory report at 11 a.m. yesterday stated:—The anti-cyclone over China has strengthened considerably. Fresh to strong monsoon may be expected along the coast of China and over the Northern portion of the Northern China Sea.

The report issued at 6 p.m. also stated that the anti-cyclone over China has strengthened.

Fresh to strong monsoon may be expected along the S.E. coast of China and over the China Sea.

Local Forecast:—N.E. winds, fresh, fair.

TYPHOON WARNING.

The Manila Observatory states that at 9.15 a.m., on December 19th, a typhoon was in about 120deg. Long. E., 08deg. Lat. N., moving W.N.W.

At St. Andrew's Cathedral, Singapore, last week, Mr. Gordon Donald, of Joseph Travers and Sons, was married to Miss Mary Constance Skeay, the elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Skeay, of Singapore. Both the young people are widely known here, and the fact that the bride's parents have been so long connected with Singapore lent the event a special interest to older residents.

MR. WANG CHING WEI'S VALEDICTORY
EPISTLE TO KUOMINTANG LEADERS.EXPRESSES A DESIRE TO RETIRE FROM
POLITICAL LIFE.MARSHAL FENG PROGRESSING IN SHANTUNG.
HSUCHOWFU AGAIN RECAPTURED BY THE
KUOMINCHUN.MARSHAL CHIANG KAI SHEK ENTER-
TAINS FOREIGN OFFICIALS
AT SHANGHAI.

Mr. Wang Ching Wei, who has for long been regarded as one of the most extreme of the Kuomintang leaders, has now definitely withdrawn from the political arena, and is stated to be at the present moment aboard the *Paul Legat* bound for France. His has been a checkered career ever since his active participation in Kuomintang politics, when he identified himself with the "Red" element of the Kuomintang at Hankow, and was hand in glove with Comrade Eugene Chen and other notorious sympathisers of the Soviet's disintegrating doctrines. Chinese who know Mr. Wang well say that though he is an extremist in his political theories, he is temperamentally scholarly, of a mild disposition, and very reluctant to expose himself to personal danger. Hence his extraordinary vacillation during the past few months, and his abrupt departure now that danger once again confronts him. He was—and obviously not without cause—believed to be largely responsible for the recent coup that occurred in Canton and, indirectly, responsible for the more recent horrors in that unhappy city.

Marshal Feng's troops have been able once again to dislodge the Northerners from that much-distressed city Hsuehchowfu, and the population of Tainanfu and elsewhere in Shantung are reported to be again gravely concerned regarding probable hostilities in their vicinity.

TENSE FEELING IN SHAN-
TUNG'S CAPITAL.

(Wah Tu Yat Pao.)

SHANGHAI, Dec. 19th. A tense situation has been created in Tainan, the capital of Shantung, according to a military report received by the Nanking Military Council. The capture of Hsuehchowfu by the Southerners has considerably weakened the Northern hold on the Tientsin-Pukow Railway. Taking advantage of this, the plain-clothed, Shanai troops are again very active along the northern section of this railway.

Marshal Feng Yu Hsiang's main forces will be responsible for the coming attack on the Shantung troops and the push towards Tainan. Marshal Feng's reinforcements for the Lungkai Railway front are increasing.

The 9th Southern Army Corps has advanced to a point north of Hsuehchowfu with a view to intercepting the Northern enemy.

MR. WANG CHING WEI'S
FAREWELL.

(Wah Tu Yat Pao.)

SHANGHAI, Dec. 19th. Before leaving Shanghai, Mr. Wang Ching Wei presented a letter to the executive members of the Kuomintang including Marshal Chiang Kai Shek, expressing his decision to retire from political life. In his letter he insists on the point that General Chang Kai-fai has really no Communist inclinations and that it is evident the Canton Communists uprising had no connection with him, although the fault of not being able to prevent its outbreak may implicate him. Mr. Wang hoped that the 4th Kuomintang Conference would be successful and that the "illegal Special Commission" now set up in Nanking would be abolished.

[NAVAL WIRELESS.]

SHANGHAI, Dec. 18th. A rumour is current that Wang Ching Wei has left, but this news requires confirmation.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

For Paris?

SHANGHAI, Dec. 18th. Wang Ching Wei, who left on Saturday morning aboard the a.s. *Paul Legat*, is believed bound for Paris.

MARSHAL FENG'S LATEST
VICTORIES.

(Wah Tu Yat Pao.)

SHANGHAI, Dec. 18th. A telegraphic report from Chengchow, Honan, states that Marshal Feng Yu Hsiang's army, in co-operation with General Ho Ying Ching's troops, definitely occupied Hsuehchowfu on the night of the 16th inst. They claim to have inflicted on the Northern enemy considerable losses, including the capture of more than forty machine guns and a number of troops.

Besides gaining the upper-hand on the Lungkai Railway, Marshal Feng's operations in Northern Honan are reported to have been successful largely owing to substantial aid rendered by rural armed corps.

BRITAIN'S WINTERY
WEATHER.34 DEGREES OF FROST IN
SCOTLAND.COLDEST WEEK-END IN SEVEN
YEARS.A "WHITE CHRISTMAS"
PREDICTED.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, December 18th. There is cold weather of unusual severity throughout the British Isles. Nineteen degrees of frost were registered in London last evening. There have been falls of snow in many districts. A continuation of the conditions is forecasted, probably extending over Christmas.

RUGBY, Dec. 18th. The past week-end was the coldest experienced in Britain for seven years and the temperature throughout yesterday remained considerably below freezing point, 34 degrees Fahrenheit of frost being registered at Balmoral, Scotland, where the cold was most severe.

It was, however, warmer in the British Isles than in any other part of Europe in the same latitude, for the cold wave has now spread all over the continent and snowfalls are reported from as far south as Rome, and it was freezing at midday yesterday on the French Riviera.

Forecasts indicate a continuance of severe frost and skating has begun in many districts. So-called white Christmases are rare in England, but there seems some likelihood that frosty weather may continue over next week's holiday.

DUTCH POLITICS.

NEW PRESIDENT OF SOCIAL
DEMOCRATIC PARTY.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 18th. Hier Jan Oudegeest has been elected President of the Dutch Social Democratic Party in succession to Hier Polak, who has resigned owing to deafness.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS BY
WIRELESS.MANY MESSAGES
EXPECTED.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, December 18th. It is announced that the Post Office are making provision for the transmission of no less than 60,000 radio messages or Christmas greetings by the medium of their wireless beam services.

THE "RED ROSE."

NOW AT CALCUTTA.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

CALCUTTA, Dec. 18th. The aeroplane *Red Rose* has arrived and will leave for Rangoon on the 21st inst.

ONE OF FENG'S GENERALS
KILLED?

CAPTOR OF PEKING IN 1920.

General Lu Chung Lin, former commander of the 1st Kuominchun, who ranked with Chang Chih Chang as Feng Yu Hsiang's principal lieutenant, is reported to have been killed by chance bullet during the recent retreat from Kweichow. Reports of this kind are said to be contradicted, but this one is said to be accurate. It is added that the late general's body lies at Kaifeng, in a house confiscated by the Nationalists.

It was Lu Chung Lin who captured Peking when Tso Kua was "deposed" in the spring of 1920, when he was made "Governor" of Peking, and afterwards came to Tientsin as "Commander-in-Chief" of the Northwestern Armies in the field. He evacuated Tientsin on retreat of the Kuominchun in March, 1926.

His colleague, General Chang Chih Chang, the "real" Christian general of the Kuominchun, was also reported killed but is now stated to be in the flesh at Nanking.

FROM PARIS TO
HANOI.FRENCH AVIATORS START ON
LONG FLIGHT.

ATHENS THE FIRST STOP.

[THROUGH HAVAS AGENCY.]

PARIS, Dec. 18th. The Le Bourget aeroplane, *Georges Guynemer*, piloted by Colonel Antoinet with four companions, hopped off at 5.25 for Athens, its first stop on the flight from Paris to Hanoi.

WORLD-WIDE TIME SIGNAL.

CONTACT WITH MOST
DISTANT PARTS.RUGBY TRANSMITS TWICE
EVERY DAY.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, December 18th. Commencing on Monday, December 19th, the British time signal will be transmitted from the wireless station at Rugby twice daily during the five minutes terminating at ten in the morning and six in the evening Greenwich Mean Time. Each transmission, which will be controlled from the standard clock at Greenwich Observatory, will be of the type proposed by the International Time Commission, 1923, and known as "International system of rhythmic wireless time signals."

It will consist of a series of three hundred and six signals transmitted in three hundred seconds of mean time. Each minute will be clearly marked by a dash of two-fifths of a duration beginning on the exact minute. The dashes at the 55th, 56th, 57th, 58th and 59th minutes will be followed by a succession of sixty dots spaced at the equal intervals following the commencement of the dashes at these minutes. The hour will be indicated by a dash of similar duration to the others commencing on the exact hour.

This arrangement provides an extremely accurate time check for geographers and surveyors. At the same time it is suitable for the use of ships at sea and is sufficiently simple for more general application since for ordinary purposes the dashes which give clear indication of the minutes are all that need be noted. Times of transmission have been selected with a view to reaching the largest possible portion of the globe at suitable periods of the day.

The institution of the time signal from Rugby marks an addition to the services by which this Station maintains contact with the most distant parts of the world. To ships on every sea many of which are in the habit of receiving private and press telegrams direct from Rugby, the new time signal will provide a means of checking their chronometers and should consequently prove an additional aid to navigation. Wireless transmissions will be effected by means of continuous waves on a wavelength of 18,740 metres.

THE PROPOSED GERMAN
BATTLESHIP.FURTHER CONTROVERSY IN
REICHSRAT.SAFEGUARDING THE SEA
ROUTES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

BERLIN, December 18th. The Reichsrat also reduced by 6,000,000 marks the expenditure for military purposes. The Government now intends to submit two Budgets to the Reichstag, one with the new battleship and the others without.

Herr Gessler, the Minister of Defence, in a speech to the Reichsrat defending the proposal to build a new warship, said that it was the Government's view that until progress in world disarmament was made it was its duty to carry out the modest naval programme allowed Germany by the Treaty of Versailles.

He pointed out that of the six cruisers permitted, only five were being built, and out of six battleships only four were contemplated. The Government considered that it must at all costs take steps to safeguard the sea route to East Prussia which was impossible with the light naval forces possessed by Germany.

A 15,000 MILE
MOTORING
RECORD.GREAT BRITISH ACHIEVE-
MENT.

PLUCKY WOMAN DRIVER.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, Dec. 18th. The achievement of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Bruce, in breaking the previous 15,000 miles motoring record, held by the Englishwoman, Violet Cordery, by forty-eight hours was made more remarkable by the 21 hours delay caused by the skidding and over-turning of the car on the frozen Monthery track and by the intensity of the cold weather, in which the run was made.

Mrs. Bruce bore the brunt of the effort during the last two days and nights and her hands were frost-bitten when, finally, the course was accomplished.

The windscreen had been smashed in the accident and the motorists would not wait for it to be repaired before resuming the run. They were thus further exposed to the weather.

Mrs. Bruce was carried from the car shoulder-high by enthusiastic spectators. The car, petrol and oil used were all of British manufacture.

[Earlier telegrams on the above are printed on page 8.]

THE "S.4" DISASTER.

ANSWER TO DIVER'S TAPS.

ANOTHER SUBMARINE
RECEIVES SIGNALS.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

PROVINCETOWN, December 18th. Divers are already exploring the place where the *S.4* sank. One reports that he heard rappings inside the submarine as if somebody were signalling.

December 18th. The divers tapped with a hammer on the side of the sunken submarine and heard answering taps. Another indication that life still exists in the *S.4* comes from the submarine *S.8* which is in the neighbourhood of the entombed crew, and believes she got replies to her submarine signals.

Six Men Found Alive.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18th.

The Navy Department announces that six men have been found alive in the Torpedo Room of *S.4*, in which air is being pumped by divers. The entombed men established communication by means of hammer knocks.

In Communication.

PROVINCETOWN, Dec. 18th.

The diver (Eady) who established communication with the survivors of the *S.4* descended at 2 o'clock yesterday at noon. He located the submarine after 20 minutes and inspected the wreck for an hour. He said that a hole is torn in the hull larger than the hole in the *S.51*, and under the conning tower.

Eady's tapings were answered from the torpedo compartment and the following messages exchanged by knocks of a hammer. "Is gas bad?" "No; but air. How long will you be now?" "How many are there?" "There are six. Please hurry. Will you be long now?" "We are doing everything possible."

Another diver descended and fixed an air valve to the submarine's hull and air tanks were lowered and hooked up into which the rescue ships are pumping air.

SOVIET AFFAIRS.

TROTSKY OPPOSITION.

SEVENTY-FIVE LEADERS EX-
PELLED BY CONGRESS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

MOSCOW, December 18th. The Communist Congress resolved upon the expulsion of seventy-five active ringleaders of the Trotsky opposition from the Party. The number includes Kamenoff, Rakovsky, Smilga, Smirnov, Dadek and the entire membership of the so-called Sapronoff group, numbering twenty-three.

THE BRITISH
PARLIAMENT.

TO BE PROROGUED.

NEW SESSION OPENS
FEBRUARY 7th.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, December 18th. It is expected that Parliament will be prorogued on Thursday and that the new session will open on February 7th. Efforts will be made during the week to secure the passage of a number of minor bills but time has to be found in the Commons this week for debates on unemployment initiated by Labour, and on agriculture at the instance of Liberals.

A MANILAN MURDERER.

ASKS PRESSMAN TO WRITE
UP HIS LIFE.TO SEE HIS SWEETHEART
AND DIE.

MANILA, Dec. 14th.

The death penalty was meted out this morning by Judge Eulogio P. Revilla to Macario Sera Josef, self-confessed murderer of Zacarias Lapuz y Nerit, an employee of the Reyes Brothers Optical Company at 524 Calle Avenida Rizal.

"I do not want to appeal to the supreme court. I am ready to die. But before I am executed, give me time to see somebody (referring to his sweetheart)," Macario appealingly asked the court. He fainted when he was taken out of the court. At the detention room, Macario had been weeping. He soon recovered himself and began to talk to newsmen.

Sweetheart in Paranoque. He confessed that he has a sweetheart named Inocencia Hernandez at Paranoque, Rizal. It was his wish to have her brought to him. As to why he murdered his friend, Zacarias Lapuz, Macario told several stories furnishing the motive to the commission of the crime.

"He had been in the habit of humiliating me before girls (referring to the deceased). He told other persons that I was only his 'muchacho.' I could have killed him long ago, but I only refrained from doing so, for fear of harming other people who might come to defend him," Josef explained.

"I wish you would (addressing to the newsmen) write about my life from childhood until my execution very much like that of a novel so that the people will know that I am not so bad. After you have done this, I'll be content to meet my fate," Macario added.

The court found the accused guilty of robbery with homicide with the aggravating circumstances of treachery, nocturnity and abuse of confidence.

LADY ASTOR "KNOWS
BETTER NOW."

THE NAVY WAY TO PEACE.

Nearly two hundred sailors in uniform, representing all lower-deck naval ratings, attended a dinner at Plymouth under the auspices of the "Lower Deck Benevolent Associations." The event took place, appropriately, on Trafalgar Day. The guests included Lady Astor, M.P., Commander Sir E. Hilton Young, M.P., Major Leslie Hore-Belisha, and Lord Astor, Ordnance Artificer J. G. R. Veal presided.

"In the last seven years," said Lady Astor, "wonderful progress has been made in the lower-deck in the navy. The men demanded reforms in an orderly way and they got them. We were very frightened at one time that some of the more violent ones would get the upper hand, for their violence would have made no progress. The man or woman with a disordered mind has a disordered business and they do not get very far. I used to think that the only way to ensure peace was by the British Navy. I know better now. The only way to guarantee peace is to have peaceful men and women. We may have navies, armies, and air forces, but all those who want peace have got to strive for peace within themselves."

Commander Sir E. Hilton Young said "Nelson made the basis of discipline trust. He transferred the reason that sailors obey their officers from fear to trust. If he had done nothing else he would have performed an inestimable service to the nation. For seven years we have been trying to find a way to make the nations feel more safety. So long as there is a British Empire there must be a British Navy for the Navy has bound together those communities which are members of the great family we call the Empire."

PERU'S EXTERNAL
DEBT.

BEING RE-FUNDED.

NEW YORK BANKERS AS
UNDERWRITERS.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 18th. The bankers, Messrs. Doremus & Company, announce that the Peruvian Lower House has already passed a Bill to re-fund the Republic's entire external debt and the Senate is expected to ratify the measure to-day, in which case Messrs. Doremus have agreed to purchase the securities of the Peruvian National Loan to the extent of \$350,000,000, and offer them in the United States and Europe within a few days.

ARE BISHOPS ILLITERATE?

LORD HUGH COCIL'S TILT.

MASTERPIECES MADE
"INTELLIGIBLE."

The eloquence of the Archbishop of York (Dr. Lang) and the polished wit of Lord Hugh Cecil were features of a discussion at the Church Assembly at Church House, Westminster, on the report of the Cathedral Commission published recently.

The Archbishop of York said: "Those who find their own allegiance to the Church somewhat perplexed and difficult still find in the cathedrals a most welcome link between themselves and all they most deeply believe."

Referring to the recommendation that residential canons should retire at the age of 70, he said:

Lord Hugh Cecil as a result of independent investigations into the psychology of old age thinks that it should be 75. There are many men over seventy still vigorous in mind and body, and there is a notable illustration of that fact not one hundred yards from where I am standing.

This allusion to the chairman of the Assembly, the Archbishop of Canterbury, who is in his eightieth year, made the Primate smile, and the bishops led the applause.

Other points in Dr. Lang's speech were:

The duty of our parish church choirs is not to sing for the people but to make the people sing. Within the next five years, beyond necessary repairs, our cathedrals will be called upon to provide for their safety and preservation a sum of little less than £500,000.

For The Working-Classes. Lord Hugh Cecil began with an amusing tilt at the bishops. He observed:

With respect to literature I am sometimes inclined to wonder if the bishops and higher clergy are illiterate. When I talk to them about literature I wonder how they got their degrees.

All I claim for literary propriety is that you should not spoil the most exquisite masterpieces in the language by intruding into the midst of them something which is supposed to be intelligible to the working-classes. I always wonder whether people would tolerate revising the masterpieces of Bach and Handel to make them intelligible to the working-classes.

Let us keep the masterpieces in all their beautiful integrity, and if we want something simple let us make it.

I am prepared to believe in any change or revolution of fashion. Music that is to-day considered sugary and sentimental may fifty years hence become "those charming old melodies."

Referring to Westminster Abbey, Lord Hugh said:

It is very beautiful, but from a utilitarian point of view it is not good. You cannot hear, and it is unsuitable for the worship of a big congregation. But because that is so I would not suggest that you should pull it down and build something else.

2,400 PER CENT. INTEREST.

JUDGE'S TRONIC COMMENTS.

Working out a sum in arithmetic at the Westminster Court, when a money-lender sued for the payment of a promissory note, Judge Tobin remarked: "The interest amounts to 2,400 per cent. It seems a trifle excessive even for Westminster."

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Pres. Monroe Sun. Jan. 15th 8 a.m.	Pres. Hayes Sun. Feb. 26th
Pres. Wilson Sun. Jan. 29th 6 a.m.	Pres. Folk Sun. Mar. 11th
Pres. Taft Dec. 20th 6 p.m.	Pres. Jefferson Jan. 3rd 6 p.m.
Pres. McKinley Dec. 28th 6 p.m.	Pres. Grant Jan. 10th 6 p.m.
Pres. Harrison Jan. 1st 6 p.m.	Pres. Monroe Jan. 18th 6 p.m.

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CHENONCEAUX	15th Dec.	18th Jan.	17th Jan.
ANGERS	29th Dec.	1st Feb.	31st Jan.
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CANADIANS IN WASHINGTON.

TROOPS AT WHITE HOUSE.

POPULAR ENTHUSIASM.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 13th. The visit of the Canadian troops to Washington ended yesterday with a ceremony of which the interest was as much historical as sentimental. It saw the entry into the grounds of the White House of a force in British uniform for the first time since on the night of August 24th, 1814, General Ross and his men had set fire to the "President's House." But now British regimental colours dipped in salute to President Coolidge, while the Canadian band played the national anthem of the United States, and crowds which witnessed the sight cheered lustily.

Picked Units. The men from over the border very certainly captured the imagination of Washington. They were picked units of the Royal Canadian and the Royal 22nd Regiment, trumpeters of the Royal Canadian Horse Artillery and the Royal Dragoons, the pipers and drummers of the 45th Highlanders of Toronto, and the band, 50 strong, of the Royal Canadian Regiment, burst into the brightness of a sergeant-major's dream, swinging and moving with the precision of a piston. They had won the heart of the great crowd at Arlington Cemetery on Friday when the Canadian monument to citizens of the United States who had died in Canadian uniform in the Great War was unveiled. They have been royally entertained at the frontier and in the Washington barracks, at dinners and at dances, and their call on the President yesterday was a model of what such a function should be.

President Coolidge's Welcome. Mr. Coolidge received them in the south grounds of the White House, where with Mr. Vincent Massey, the Canadian Minister in Washington, and Major Murray Green, their commanding officer, in attendance he inspected them. They had marched from their assembling point a few squares distant escorted by a company of the 12th United States Infantry, but entered the grounds of the White House alone, while their escort circled round the wall of the enclosure to meet them again at the lower west gate. The band played, their pipers skinned, their arms glittered in the sun, and the bright scarlet of their faultless lines glowed so gallantly that the cordiality with which the spectators received them was warmed to enthusiasm. Their coming and the impression they created have helped in no small measure to make the dedication of their country's monument to the comrades of a great hour an inestimable contribution to international friendship. They left yesterday afternoon, not without an amusing little flurry. Just before the moment of departure, the Canadian pipers were moved to improvise a reel on the station platform. They were still pirouetting when the train slowly gathered way, and Washington's last impression of the Canadian military visit was a scramble of kilts and bare knees as the pipers leapt to their places.—Times.

DIAMONDS IN BOOTS.

\$20,000 SEIZED IN NEW YORK.

ALLEGED SMUGGLING SYNDICATE.

NEW YORK. The arrest of Florent Lamot, second electrician aboard the Red Star liner Lapland, a small man with disproportionately large feet, is regarded by the police here as an important clue to the discovery of an alleged organization for smuggling gems from Europe to New York. A Customs agent who had shadowed Lamot from the time he disembarked until he reached a small restaurant on shore decided that such a diminutive figure should not possess such large boots. He arrested the man on suspicion, searched him, and found diamonds valued at \$20,000 concealed in his footgear.

It is estimated that in recent years the American Customs have been defrauded of millions of dollars by the smuggling of gems, and it is believed that Lamot is connected with the operations of an organized syndicate, the trail of which leads to several capitals abroad and also involves certain sections of the jewellery trade in New York. As the result of the electrician's arrest, seven other men were seized.

The American Government has information which, it is claimed, justifies the belief in the existence of a European "syndicate" with of a European "syndicate" which is smuggling at its base, which is operating on a commission basis with American diamond merchants as its customers. Preparations were made here by the Customs Commissioners to bring the case before a Grand Jury and secure indictments for conspiracy.

VESSELS EXPECTED.

American Mail Line.
President Jackson, to-day.
President McKinley, Dec. 23th.
Australian-Oriskany Line.

Taiping, Jan. 7th.
Changte, Feb. 7th.
Bank Line.

City of Peking, Dec. 24th.
City of Calcutta, Jan. 14th.
City of Madras, Jan. 21st.
City of Adelaide, Feb. 18th.
Ben Line.

Benrinnes, Dec. 25th.
Blue Funnel Line.

Helenus, to-day.
Peleus, to-day.
Petroclous, Dec. 26th.
Izium, Dec. 26th.
Perseus, Dec. 26th.
Tyndarus, Dec. 26th.
Pyrrhus, Dec. 26th.
Myrmidon, Jan. 7th.
Rhaenor, Jan. 9th.
Hector, Jan. 13th.
Mentor, Jan. 17th.
Proteus, Jan. 17th.
Troilus, Jan. 22nd.
Nereus, Jan. 31st.
Ningchow, Feb. 2nd.
Phocetes, Feb. 5th.
Talthybius, Feb. 7th.
Aeneas, Feb. 13th.
Autolycus, Feb. 18th.
Achilles, Feb. 27th.
Mardon, Feb. 28th.
Polyphemus, Feb. 28th.
Bellerophon, Mar. 2nd.
Calchas, Mar. 4th.
Sarpedon, Mar. 8th.

British-India and Apar Line.
Santia, Jan. 2nd.
Garmula, Jan. 7th.

Canadian Pacific Line.
Empress of Asia, Dec. 29th.

Doddwell & Co.
Corby Castle, Jan. 1st.
Vimale, Jan. 5th.
Bowie Castle, Jan. 32nd.

Dollar Steamship Line.
President Harrison, Dec. 31st.

East Asiatic Co., Copenhagen.
Java, Jan. 23rd.
Australia, Feb. 15th.
Asia, Feb. 21st.

Eastern and Australian Lines.
St. Albans, Dec. 27th.
Arjuna, Jan. 2nd.
Tanda, Feb. 6th.

Glen Line.
Glenog, Dec. 23rd.
Glenamoy, Jan. 25th.
Glenaida, Jan. 28th.
Glenapp, Feb. 2nd.
Glenluce, Feb. 23rd.

Hamburg-America Line and Hugo Stinnes Linien.
Ramses, to-morrow.
Albert Vogler, Dec. 31st.

Oldenburg, Jan. 12th.
Havelland, Jan. 23rd.
Macklenburg, Feb. 5th.
Emil Kirdorf, Feb. 25th.

Holland East Asia Line.
Oosterk, Jan. 10th.

Java-China-Japan Line.
Tijmanock, Dec. 22nd.
Tjikembang, Dec. 26th.
Tjikini, Jan. 2nd.
Tjikong, Jan. 2nd.
Tjisaroca, Jan. 8th.
Tjitaroom, Jan. 18th.
Tjisondari, Jan. 19th.

Messageries Maritimes.
Paul Lecat, to-day.
Chenonceaux, to-morrow.

Angers, Jan. 4th.
D'Artagnan, Jan. 18th.
General Meisinger, Feb. 1st.

Nippon Yusen Kaisha.
Matuyama Maru, to-day.
Tango Maru, to-day.

Takaka Maru, to-day.
Kamo Maru, Dec. 26th.
Genoa Maru, Dec. 26th.
Takaka Maru, Dec. 26th.
Seiyo Maru, Dec. 26th.

Hakusan Maru, Dec. 30th.
Nagano Maru, Dec. 30th.
Tottori Maru, Dec. 30th.
Meigen Maru, Dec. 30th.
Penang Maru, Jan. 2nd.

Hakodate Maru, Jan. 7th.
Morioka Maru, Jan. 8th.
Katori Maru, Jan. 8th.
Dunbar Maru, Jan. 9th.
Aden Maru, Jan. 12th.

Kawachi Maru, Jan. 12th.
Ginjo Maru, Jan. 13th.
Kisano Maru, Jan. 13th.
Tajima Maru, Jan. 14th.
Aki Maru, Jan. 17th.

Kamakura Maru, Jan. 19th.
Haruna Maru, Jan. 27th.
Tenjo Maru, Jan. 27th.
Tatsuno Maru, Feb. 1st.
Delagun Maru, Feb. 6th.

Tatsuno Maru, Feb. 6th.
Mishimi Maru, Feb. 12th.
Mishima Maru, Feb. 12th.
Calcutta Maru, Feb. 25th.

Norddeutscher Lloyd, Bremen.
Saarbruecken, Jan. 17th.
Coblentz, Feb. 14th.

Peninsular and Oriental.
Kashgar, Dec. 23rd.
Devanah, Dec. 24th.
Delta, Dec. 31st.

Malwa, Jan. 6th.
Nellore, Jan. 13th.
Khyber, Jan. 20th.
Khiva, Jan. 27th.

Macedonia, Feb. 3rd.
Nagore, Feb. 10th.
Kalyan, Feb. 17th.

Kashmir, Feb. 17th.
Mantua, Mar. 11th.
Lahore, Mar. 11th.
Mongolia, Mar. 16th.

Morua, Mar. 20th.
Prince Line.
Japanese Prince, Dec. 21st.

Japanese Prince, Jan. 26th.
Royal Packet Nav. Co. (K.P.M.).
Cremor, to-morrow.

Swedish East Asiatic Co., Ltd.
Canton, Jan. 6th.
Delhi, Jan. 13th.

CONSIGNEE NOTICES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

AMERICAN & MANCHURIAN LINE.

FROM NEW YORK.

THE Steamship "CITY OF LAHORE" having arrived, Consignees of Cargo by her are informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra-hazardous Godowns of Kowloon Wharf, whence Delivery may be obtained.
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All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underinsured on or before 30th December, 1927, or they will not be recognized.
All broken, chafed and damaged Goods, are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays or Fridays, between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and Noon, within the Free Storage period of One Week.
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Bills of Lading will be countersigned by THE BANK LINE, LTD., General Agents.
Hong Kong, 18th Dec. 1927. [5675]

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

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No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.
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No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godown and all Claims must be presented within Two Weeks of the Ship's arrival here, after which date they will not be recognized.
Consignees are requested to surrender their Bills of Lading to the Underinsured for Countersignature.
MELOERS & CO., Agents.
Norddeutscher Lloyd, Bremen, Hong Kong, 18th Dec. 1927. [5657]

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HONG KONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hong Kong Observations, December 19th.			
Barometer	Thermometer	Humidity	Wind
29.99	80.11	80.13	W 61
74	62	65	61
71	69	61	61
Direction	W	Cal	NNE
Force	3	0	3
Weather	3	0	0.00
Rain	0.0	0.0	0.00

Highest open-air Temperature, 18th: 74
Lowest open-air Temperature, 18th: 60

B-Blue sky; C-Cloudy; D-Drizzle; F-Fog; L-Lightning; M-Mist; O-Overcast; P-Passing showers; Q-Squalls; R-Rain; T-Thunder.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE.

From December 20th to 26th, 1927.			
HIGH WATER.		LOW WATER.	
Date	Time	Date	Time
Tues. 20	7 47	Wed. 21	7 58
Wed. 21	7 58	Thurs. 22	8 07
Thurs. 22	8 07	Fri. 23	8 16
Fri. 23	8 16	Sat. 24	8 25
Sat. 24	8 25	Sun. 25	8 34
Sun. 25	8 34	Mon. 26	8 43

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M.S. "VOGTLAND"	sailing from here on or about the 17th Jan. "
S.S. "ALBERT VOGELER"	sailing from here on or about the 2nd Feb. "
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All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underinsured on or before 30th December, 1927, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on 21st December, 1927, at 10 a.m., by our Surveyors, Messrs. Anderson & Douglas.

All Claims must reach us before 5th January, 1928, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD.

Agents.
Hong Kong, 13th Dec. 1927. [5644]

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

SWATOW & SHANGHAI "LIVAN" ...	On 21st Dec.	8 a.m.
HONGKONG "YUNNAN" ...	On 21st Dec.	Noon
WUHAN & CHEFOO "KUEIHO" ...	On 23rd Dec.	6 a.m.
SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN "SUOCHO" ...	On 24th Dec.	6 a.m.
HOIHOW, PAKHOI & HAIPHONG "HUPEH" ...	On 24th Dec.	Noon
AMOI, SWATOW & SINGAPORE "ANHUI" ...	On 26th Dec.	7 a.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & DALNY "LUOHO" ...	On 26th Dec.	8 a.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK "KATYING" ...	On 26th Dec.	10 a.m.
AMOI, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN "SHANTUNG" ...	On 28th Dec.	5 p.m.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI "CHENAN" ...	On 29th Dec.	8 a.m.
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SWATOW & BANGKOK "KALGAN" ...	On 1st Jan.	10 a.m.
HOIHOW, PAKHOI & HAIPHONG "TEAN" ...	On 1st Jan.	Noon
AMOI, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN "SINKIANG" ...	On 2nd Jan.	5 p.m.
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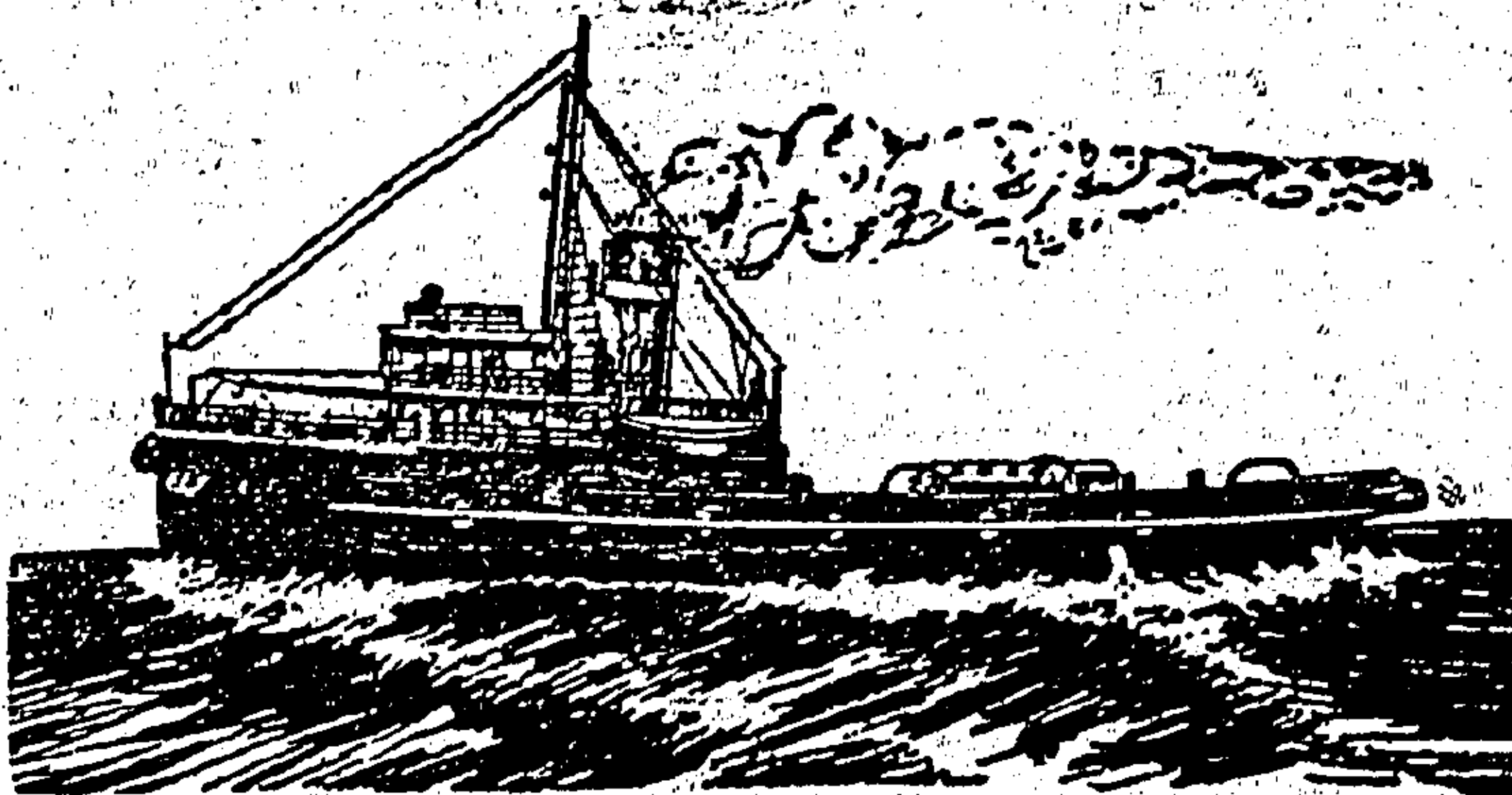
Arrivals and Departures, etc.

ARRIVALS.	PASSENGERS.	BRITISH SUBMARINE IN COLLISION.
December 18th. <i>Borneo</i> , British str., 1,297 tons, Capt. J. H. van den Berg, from Haiphong and Hoihow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. 338—Shun Tai S.S. Co. <i>Derfflinger</i> , German str., 9,192 tons, Capt. Hasagen, from Hamburg and Manila. The latter port she left on December 18th, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf—Melchers & Co. <i>Gran</i> , Norwegian str., 1,132 tons, Capt. K. J. Karlsen, from Canton, lying at buoy No. 419—Y.K.K. <i>Kanchow</i> , British str., 1,222 tons, Capt. E. F. Fisher, from Canton, lying at Taikoo Dock—B. & S. <i>Phranang</i> , Chinese str., 1,022 tons, Capt. J. Bruhn, from Haiphong and Hoihow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. 43—Chau Yue Teng. <i>Rollon</i> , Norwegian str., 773 tons, Capt. Chr. Stensholt, from Pakhoi and Hoihow, with a cargo of salt, lying at Yauwatti—Karsten Larsen & Co. <i>Samang</i> , Japanese str., 2,500 tons, Capt. Y. Kawasaki, from Sourabaya, which port she left on December 8th, with a general cargo and sugar, lying at buoy No. A29—Nanyo Yusen Kaisha. December 19th. <i>Akita Maru</i> , Japanese str., 2,315 tons, Capt. Y. Moroki, from Moji, which port she left on December 14th, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf—N.Y.K. <i>Chungking</i> , Chinese str., 447 tons, Capt. Kwok Shan, from Tamsui, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. 44—Yau Lee Co. <i>Harder</i> , Norwegian str., 710 tons, Capt. G. E. Henriksen, from Bangkok, with a cargo of rice, lying at buoy No. B11—Karsten Larsen & Co. <i>Indus Maru</i> , Japanese str., 2,697 tons, Capt. C. Iwasa, from Moji, which port she left on December 13th, with 786 tons of general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf—O.S.K. <i>Kashu Maru</i> , Japanese str., 2,374 tons, Capt. S. Tabata, from Sourabaya and Tawau, with sugar and molasses, lying at buoy No. A6—O.S.K. <i>Kwang Sang</i> , British str., 1,428 tons, Capt. A. D. Kelman, from Canton, lying at Kowloon Wharf—Jardine, Matheson & Co. <i>President Jackson</i> , American str., 8,400 tons, Capt. John Griffith, from Manila, which port she left on December 17th, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf—American Mail Line. <i>President Taft</i> , American str., 8,415 tons, from Shanghai, which port she left on December 17th, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf—Dollar Steamship Line. <i>Takliwa</i> , British str., 3,742 tons, Capt. A. Munro, from Calcutta via Penang and Singapore. The first mentioned port she left on December 4th, with 2,115 tons of general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co. <i>Tjibodas</i> , Dutch str., 2,953 tons, Capt. P. A. Vergroesen, from Dalny and Amoy, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A10—J.C.J.L.	Arrivals. Per s.s. <i>Takliwa</i> , from Singapore on December 18th—Mr. C. Burgess, Capt. H. A. A. Howell, Mr. and Mrs. K. Marinishi, Mr. H. Schall, Madame Dreyfus and child, Cpl. Smith, L/Cpls. 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